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WEEK DAYS

STATIONS	A.M.	A.M.	A.M.	A.M.	P.M.	P.M.	P.M.	P.M.
Kowloon...Dep.	6.40	9.15	10.30	11.40	12.00	1.15	4.55	7.10
Yamat...Dep.	6.50	9.25	10.39	11.50	12.10	1.25	4.44	7.19
Shatin...Dep.	7.03	9.38	10.51	12.02	12.22	1.36	4.58	7.31
Taipei...Dep.	7.16	9.49	11.04	12.14	12.34	1.49	5.09	7.44
Taipei Market...Dep.	7.21	9.53	11.08	12.18	12.38	1.53	5.13	7.48
Fanning...Dep.	7.33	10.03	11.18	12.28	12.48	2.03	5.24	7.58
Shuanghui...Dep.	7.38	10.07	11.22	12.33	12.53	2.07	5.28	8.02
Shuanghui...Arr.	7.43	10.13	11.28	12.38	12.58	2.13	5.34	8.08

SUNDAYS AND PUBLIC HOLIDAYS

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STATIONS.	A.M.	A.M.	P.M.	P.M.	STATIONS.	A.M.	A.M.	P.M.	P.M.
Fanning...Dep.	7.45	11.30	2.20	6.25	Shataukok...Dep.	6.30	10.15	1.05	5.00
Shataukok...Arr.	8.40	12.25	2.15	7.20	Fanning...Arr.	7.25	11.10	2.00	5.55

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SOVIET GOVERNMENT.

DR. HADEN GUEST'S NEW BOOK.

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Very few of the many books that have been published recently about the new Russia and its mis-rulers can stand comparison with the able and honest work of Dr. Haden Guest, a Labour M.P. in "The New Russia." By L. Haden Guest. (Thornton Butterworth, 10/6.) The author has an intimate first-hand knowledge of the country about which he writes. But he has not filled his book with his personal impressions and opinions; he has, instead, attempted to tell the whole truth about the Soviet Government, without prejudice or evasion, and has drawn his material from books published in and out of Russia, most of the former being supplied by the Russian Charge-d'Affaires in London.

The book covers the whole field of Soviet government and administration. Chapter III, giving the text of the Soviet Constitution, is historically important. The next chapter, "Law in the Soviet Union," is politically interesting. From it we learn that the Soviet Government does not recognise the division of governmental power into distinct legislative, administrative and judicial functions. It gives equal validity to all the decrees of the responsible departments. There are four Codes, the Civil, Criminal, Law and Labour Codes. The maximum term of imprisonment is ten years, but in cases of "serious" crime, e.g., counter-revolutionary conspiracy, and non-fulfilment of contracts with State institutions if a "criminal" motive can be proved, the death penalty can be inflicted. Propaganda against the Soviet Union is punishable by a minimum sentence of three years solitary confinement. For wilful murder a maximum penalty of eight years imprisonment, and not less than three years if aggravating circumstances (such as previous conviction for murder, or a base motive, or if the method employed is especially unpleasant) are absent. If the deed is provoked by violence or insulting behaviour, the punishment may be up to three years. Homicide in self defence gets one year. Mr. Guest adds: "One of the difficulties of Russian legislation is that it is worded rather obscurely and will probably require further codification at a later date."

The Land Code lays down the conditions on which the land may be used by individuals or organizations. But "all through it emphasises the ownership of all land by the State."

About foreign relations Mr. Guest remarks: "The foreign policy of Russia is shaped by her economic circumstances and her geographical position. Both these circumstances determine Russia's orientation toward peace. Russia's desire to assist in the stabilizing of Europe are emphasised again and again."

In 1925 the backbone of Russia's foreign policy is a need for economic exchanges with other nations, a need for reduced expenditure on armaments. Further on he says that "the demand of the Bolshevik Revolution of 1917 was 'Peace, Bread and Land'; the demand of Russia's New Economic Policy in 1925 is 'Peace, Trade and Capital.'"

We conclude that Dr. Guest is guided here by Russian political theory, which is not at one with official practice. Curiously enough the year 1924, the year of the death of Lenin, became for Russia the year of diplomatic recognition. But recognition of the Union of Soviet Republics has not resulted in any genuine endeavour to assist in the stabilizing of Europe, or to establish economic exchanges, or to reduce expenditure on armaments, or to secure Peace, Trade and Capital. Russia's propaganda—not Communist propaganda but maliciously subversive propaganda—is in evidence everywhere. And foreign trade and capital are not encouraged by ruling that foreign firms acquire the right of (Continued at foot of next Column.)

WU PEI FU AND PEKING.

AN UNCOMPROMISING ATTITUDE.

KUOMINCHUN UNITS MUST BE DESTROYED.

(Asiatic News Service.)

PEKING, April 21st.

"I will not enter Peking until the First Kuominchun are completely disarmed," declares Marshal Wu Pei Fu in his latest telegram to Marshal Chang Tso Lin from Hankow concerning the solution of the Chinese political situation in Peking.

Marshal Wu urges the Mukden war-lord to pursue the First Kuominchun and exterminate them by force unless Generals Chang Chih Kiang and Lu Chung Lin hand over their armed forces for thorough reorganisation unconditionally. Marshal Wu further declares that in order to prevent future strife, the Kuominchun units must be destroyed; but the private properties as well as the personal safety of the Kuominchun commanders will be safeguarded by the allied Shantung-Chihli-Fengtien armies if these commanders retire from public life at once. An exception, however, is made of Marshal Feng Yu Hsiang who, it is stated, must be arrested and punished for his treachery and disloyalty.

Marshal Wu Pei Fu is expected at Paoing to-day. A Mukden message reports that Marshal Chang Tso Lin will leave Mukden for Tientsin in the course of a few days with a view to meeting Marshal Wu either at Paoing or Peking for the discussion of various state problems. According to the latest news from the First Kuominchun from Peking, the Wei-chiaopai recently wired to the Chinese Ministers accredited to foreign countries as follows: "Owing to the shortage of supplies and firearms, the First Kuominchun troops have been withdrawn from Peking. The evacuation of the metropolis has been effected peacefully and there is no disturbance. The combined Shantung-Chihli-Fengtien armies are now quartered around the four suburbs of Peking and no soldier has so far entered the city. Consequently all foreign residents in Peking are safe under the protection of the Chinese authorities. For the purpose of preventing the fabrication of rumours, the Ministers are hereby instructed to disseminate these facts to the Press."

PEKING, April 23rd.

The troops under General Fang Chen Wu, who styled himself commander of the Fifth Kuominchun, have been disarmed at Shunyi and Huailai; but General Wei Yi Shan's men have been incorporated with the Shansi army with the concurrence of Marshals Chang Tso Lin and Wu Pei Fu. An agreement has been reached between the Fengtien leaders and General Tang Chih Tao for the incorporation of the 9th division of the First Kuominchun into the Mukden army again and it is now known as the twelfth division of the Chenweichun or North-Eastern Army.

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PEKING MONEY MARKET.

PEKING, April 23rd.

According to the notice issued by the Chamber of Commerce, Marshal Chang Tso Lin has instructed the Bank of Manchuria and the Pien-yeh Bank to establish exchange offices in Peking for the Fengpiao or Fengtien notes which are in circulation in the metropolis. With regard to the circulation of the Chihli and Shantung military notes, Marshal Chang Tso Lin, in reply to the telegram of the Chamber of Commerce, declares that the matter should be discussed and settled between Generals Chang Tsung Chang and Li Ching Lin, who are now in Peking, and the Chamber personally, without Mukden's intervention. Hence, the money markets in Peking are now easier than a few days ago.

BRITISH BOXER INDEMNITY.

SHANGHAI, April 21st.

A scheme is to be put before Lord Willingdon's Committee, which is visiting Yangtze cities to consider the best way to use the British Boxer Indemnity Fund, proposing the establishment of a textile technical school in Shanghai for the training of Chinese students and mill overseers. The scheme was drafted by British and Chinese Shanghai merchants interested in the spinning and weaving industries who realise the need for action to meet competition in respect of the supply of textile machinery.

MARSHAL FENG AT KALGAN.

PEKING, April 24th.

In his latest telegram to Mukden, Marshal Wu Pei Fu says that he is in possession of undeniable information that Marshal Feng Yu Hsiang is still at Kalgan directing the movements of the First Kuominchun troops. On account of this, Marshal Wu urges the organisation of a combined expedition to Kalgan from Peking while General Yen Hsi Shan will attack the first Kuominchun from Tatanagfu, on the Peking-Shuiyuan Railway. In this connection, Marshal Wu favours the appointment of General Tien Wei Ching to the Tupan-ship of Shensi with a view to enabling him to attack Shuiyuan and Kansu *via* Shensi. In this way, Marshal Wu expects to bring about the complete destruction of the first Kuominchun elements without difficulty.

\$1,000,000 FOR WU PEI FU.

NANKING, April 17th (by mail).

Marshal Sun Chuan Fang has just re-mitted the sum of \$1,000,000 to Marshal Wu Pei Fu at Hankow for assisting the latter to pay his troops. Furthermore, Marshal Sun had given orders to the Kiangnan Arsenal at Shanghai for the manufacture of rifles, pistols and ammunition for the use of Marshal Wu's troops who are to co-operate with Fengtien for the complete suppression of the Kuominchun in the north-west. In fact, the two principal leaders of the Chihli party in the Yangtze valley are working together amicably again. It is expected that the final solution of the Peking politics will be more favourable to the Chihli than to the Fengtien party.

MAINTAINING ORDER.

SAILORS' UNION DISSOLVED IN FOCHOW.

(Asiatic News Service.)

SHANGHAI, April 22nd.

According to reports reaching here, General Chow Yin Jen, Tupan of Fukien, closed the committee for the support of national diplomacy which was very active in maintaining the boycott against British and Japanese goods in the province. In addition he has dissolved the Sailors Union having a membership of six hundred and has prohibited meetings convened by the Students Union and the Women's League at Fochow.

Marshal Sun Chuan Fang has instructed the police chief at Shanghai to watch and arrest Chinese communist leaders and to suppress all communist organisations in Kiangsu province.

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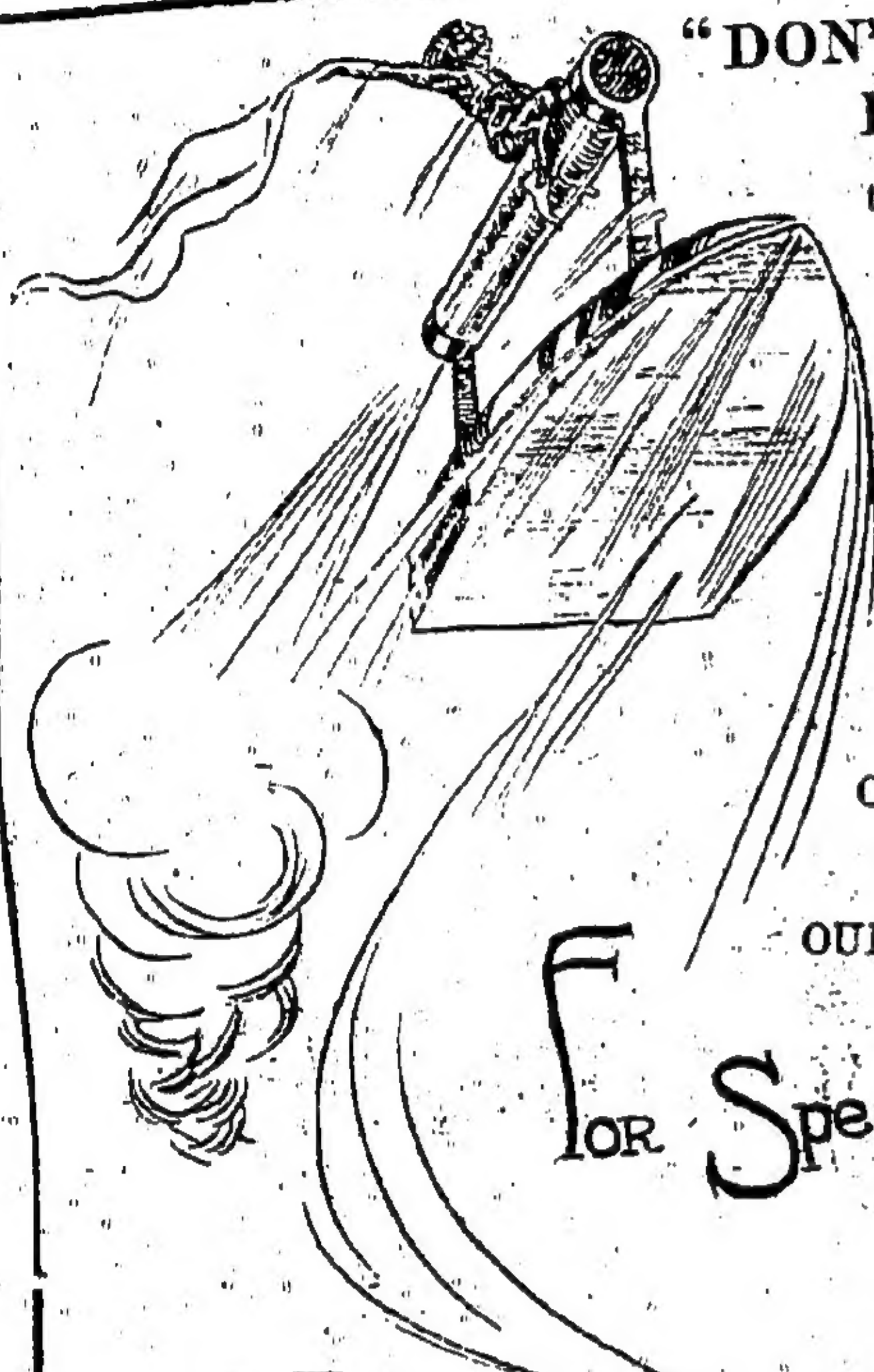
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**THE WING ON CASE.
SECOND DEFENDANT GIVES
EVIDENCE.
PROSECUTION'S AVERAGE
POSITION.**

The Wing On case was continued before
Sir Henry Gollan (the Chief Justice) at
the Criminal Sessions yesterday.
Mr. F. C. Jenkin, appeared with Mr.
W. G. Sheldon for the prosecution (both
instructed by Mr. Bulmer Johnson, of
Messrs. Hastings, Denny & Bowley).
Mr. C. G. Alabaster, and Mr. Elsley
Zelllyn (instructed by Mr. G. K. Hall
Barton and Mr. Leo d'Almada) were for
the respective prisoners.

With the resumption of the hearing
yesterday morning, Mr. Alabaster opened
his case for the second prisoner, Lam Fook
Shiu.

Counsel said that his client was jointly
charged with the first prisoner, Ah Kim
Liu with having conspired to defraud the
Wing On Bank of \$50,000 by means of
two forged deposit books. His defence
was quite different from that of the first
defendant. It was immaterial whether,
in fact, the books were forged, because his
defence was that he had nothing whatso-
ever to do with the fraud.

Counsel then outlined the charges on
which accused was arraigned; and in
regard to one count, he said that he was
going to prove that he was not in the
Colony at the time.

ALLEGATIONS AGAINST TAM LAY.
The only alleged proof against the
accused was based solely on the evidence
of Tam Lay, who said that he was in his
employ prior to the alleged attempt at
fraud. This witness had said that he had
been employed by the accused, until June
5th, 1925.

It was, however, going to be shown that
Tam Lay was never in defendant's em-
ploy, and consequently his evidence was
of no value. He said that the accused
and another man had a business, called
the Chung Wah printing press in Canton
in 1924. In fact accused did have a busi-
ness in the street mentioned in 1922, but
had no printing press. It was in the
middle of 1923 that he acquired, such a
business, and although the transaction
was begun on April 30th, 1923, he did not
actually take it over until sometime in
May. The prosecution had alleged that
the forgery was committed on May 13th,
but at that time the business had not been
taken over. Tam Lay had stated the
printing was done on the first floor in
Yen Chai Street, Canton. The defence
were going to prove that it was not so.

Continuing, Counsel said that a person
of the name of Leung was employed by
the accused, but Tam Lay had said, that
he did not know him. That proved that
he was never there, and that his story was
wholly a matter of imagination.

The second witness who had given
evidence against the accused was Chan
Sham, formerly a solicitor's clerk. He
had said that he had known Lam for
many years, and that he had seen him in
the first prisoner's house. The first ac-
cused had stated in evidence that he had
never even mentioned the name of Lam
to Chan Sham. Chan Sham had also
mentioned that he had gone to the Bank
of East Asia with Lam to borrow money
from a person named Ho, for the purpose
of pushing on the civil action. The
second accused was going to prove that
he did not know this man. As the pro-
secution had not called upon Ho to give
evidence, the defence were going to call
him. He would prove that Lam never
visited the Bank, and that in fact Lam
never knew him.

A witness from the Wing On Bank had
said that he had found a document at the
place where the second accused was
arrested. The document was of little
importance, but accused was going to
deny that he knew anything about it.

Mr. Alabaster then called Lam Fook
Lain, his client. He stated, in evidence,
that he was a partner in the Wah Ming
Photograph Co. in Des Voeux Road. In
1923 he became interested in a business
in Canton, known as the Chung Wah
Lithographic Company.

He further stated that Tam Lay had
never been employed by him.

A copy of a Cantonese newspaper, con-
taining an advertisement at the time the
accused took over the business in Canton
was put in by Counsel.

In answer to further questions, accused
said that he had known Ah, the first
prisoner, for some ten months, but he
had never known Fok, the accused who
had absconded.

Books were produced with the names of
the employees who had been with him in
Canton. He said that the books were in
his handwriting.

Accused wholly denied having any know-
ledge of the alleged fraud.

AN EARLY ADJOURNMENT.
When the case was resumed in the after-
noon, Mr. Jenkin, in rising to cross-
examine referred to a cashbook put in
by the defence of which seven items only
were translated. He said that it was
vital that he should challenge the book,
but he could not do so as he did not know
what it contained. If he asked the ac-
cused what each item in the book meant,
they would be there eternally, but he
thought the least that the defence should
have done would have been to provide
him with a translation.

His Lordship said that he could not
adjourn the case because, according to the
procedure in criminal cases, the defence
had the right to reserve their defence.

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**CHANCE FOR HONGKONG
MARKSMEN.
TEAMS OF FOUR AT BISLEY.
JUNIOR KOLAPORE CUP.**

The National Rifle Association has in-
stituted a "Junior Kolapore" match to
enable those countries of the Empire,
which do not send teams of eight to com-
pete in "The Rajah of Kolapore's Im-
perial Challenge Cup," to be represented
at the Bisley meeting.

The Junior Match is for teams of four
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The 63rd Annual Prize Meeting, which
will be held from the 5th to the 17th of
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Mr. Jenkin submitted that the internal
evidence of the book was unknown.

His Lordship: What then is your ap-
plication, Mr. Jenkin?

Mr. Jenkin: My application is that I
should be supplied with a translation, or
that I shall have time to get a translation
of the book. It might take three days.
It is the first I have heard of this book
and the defence had two months to give
me a translation if they decided to do so.

His Lordship said that it was a matter
for strong comment. The predicament of
the prosecution was the result of the pro-
cedure in criminal cases. According to
that procedure the prosecution does not
know what the defence is. He did not
think he could give anything in the
nature of a long adjournment. He real-
ized, however, that the prosecution were
in a very difficult position and he would
be willing to adjourn earlier if that would
help.

Mr. Jenkin remarked that if they were
sitting in England and such a document
were put in in French or Spanish or in
any language which English counsel could
not understand, a translation would be
necessary. He pointed out to His Lord-
ship that if the case were adjourned at
that moment until next day, he could not
get one third of the book translated.

His Lordship: I cannot see how I can
give an adjournment in this case every
time a new book is put in.

Mr. Jenkin said that it was obvious that
a translation should have been supplied.

Mr. Alabaster rose to object, but before
he spoke His Lordship remarked: "The
difficulty is obvious, Mr. Alabaster. You
cannot expect counsel for the prosecution
to make an effective cross-examination in
respect of this book."

Mr. Alabaster said that the defence
were within their rights in not making a
translation. They had translated every
item which they had considered to be
relevant.

His Lordship: You are not to judge
what is relevant. You have put the pro-
secution in a very difficult position. It is
quite clear, however, that you acted within
your rights.

His Lordship turning to the jury re-
marked that the defence were perfectly
within their rights in reserving their de-
fence until the last minute.

Continuing, His Lordship said that he
did not like to create a precedent because
he did not know where it would land him.
He, however, thought that it was best to
adjourn the case until the next morning.

Mr. Alabaster: You have not heard
me.

His Lordship: I do not wish to hear
you. I have made up my mind.

Mr. Alabaster: You have adjourned the
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His Lordship: I have made up my mind.
Mr. Alabaster.

The case was then adjourned until this
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LOCAL SPORT.

H.K.C.C. TENNIS TOURNAMENT.

THE "DARK HORSE" FOUND. TOTTENHAM DEFEATED.

Everyone on the Hongkong Cricket Club ground yesterday was discussing Major Stevenson's success over Tottenham in the third round of the Open Singles Championship of the Colony. The Major is now regarded as the "dark horse" in the current championships. Yesterday's match was the biggest test he has had so far and he came through it with great credit. His further progress will be watched with interest. With him in the lower half remain Nemura, E. C. Fincher, S. A. Rumjahn and M. W. Lo. He meets the last named in the fourth round, and it is not beyond his ability to defeat any of the four.

Yesterday's match was played on the Stand Court, the local equivalent of the centre court at Wimbledon, and it attracted a large number of spectators. It was well contested throughout. The pace was slow for neither Tottenham nor his opponent attempted to play brilliant tennis. Major Stevenson's resourcefulness, however, gave him a decided advantage and he appeared cool when pressed. Left handed and quick at seizing opportunities, he often adopted the offensive by driving cross-court to Tottenham's backhand, the latter's weakest point, and following up these shots at the net.

Tottenham was not in form and although he was alert enough he was outwitted by a cleverer player. He would have done better by attacking his opponent more often.

S. A. Rumjahn made his way into the fourth round of the Open Singles by disposing of Cornaby in four sets. The latter put up a strong defence and did very well in securing the first set. Rumjahn, however, played with greater precision after this and took the next three sets.

Major Willson and Sayer, both veterans, made their opponents the Lo brothers go all out in order to win. The Club pair after losing the first two sets, won the third and put up a hard struggle for the fourth, but failed to secure it.

The full result of yesterday's matches are appended:—

OPEN SINGLES:—Major W. B. Stevenson beat R. E. Tottenham, 6-3, 3-6, 6-2, 6-3; S. A. Rumjahn beat W. B. Cornaby, 5-7, 6-4, 6-1, 6-1.

OPEN DOUBLES:—M. K. Lo and M. W. Lo beat Major C. Willson and G. R. Sayer, 6-2, 6-4, 4-6, 6-3.

HANDICAP SINGLES "A":—S. E. Green (owe 15/6) beat L. Baines (ser.), 6-4, 6-2; R. E. Coxon (owe 2/6) beat T. Monaghan (ser.), 4-6, 6-2, 9-7.

HANDICAP DOUBLES:—A. H. Crook and O. C. Womack (rec. 3/6) beat H. C. Gould and R. C. Cobbold (ser.), 6-4, 6-2.

TO-DAY'S MATCHES.

OPEN SINGLES:—M. K. Lo v. Yew Man Tsun.

OPEN DOUBLES:—E. C. Fincher and E. F. Fincher v. H. D. Rumjahn and S. A. Rumjahn; R. M. Henderson and A. Brerley v. Y. A. Wahab and J. M. da Silva.

CUP SINGLES:—D. J. Valentine v. G. W. Sewell.

HANDICAP SINGLES "A":—Capt. H. B. Bloxham (rec. 5/6) v. F. A. Redmond (owe 15/6).

HANDICAP SINGLES "B":—A. K. MacKenzie (owe 5/6) v. E. J. R. Mitchell (owe 5/6).

HANDICAP DOUBLES:—S. E. Green and D. S. Green (owe 15/6) v. J. R. Wood and E. R. Hallifax (rec. 2/6).

MIXED DOUBLES:—C. C. Stark and Mrs. Stark (ser.) v. E. Grimble and Mrs. Grimble (owe 3/6).

HONGKONG BASEBALL.

PREPARING FOR THE COMING SEASON.

H.E. INVITED TO PITCH THE FIRST BALL ON MAY 29TH.

H.E. the Governor, Sir Cecil Clementi, has consented to become the Patron of the Hongkong Baseball Association; and Mr. H. C. Tredwell, American Consul-General in Hongkong, Hon. President for the current year. This announcement was made by Mr. C. S. Ransom, President of the Association, at the meeting of the Baseball Association held at the American Consulate-General last evening.

Mr. Ransom, who presided, introduced Consul-General Tredwell, who briefly addressed the gathering, which was composed of representatives from the American, Hongkong Volunteers, Filipino, Japanese, Portuguese, and South China baseball clubs.

Mr. Tredwell, referring to the acceptance by H.E. the Governor of the position of Patron of the Association, believed that he must have done so in the hope that highly clean sport would be promoted thereby. Mr. Tredwell assured the Association that he, as Honorary President, would do everything he could to make the work of the Association a success. He offered to present a cup to the player of the coming season who made the best batting average.

The Chairman thanked the Consul-General for the offer.

The Club de Recreio were elected members of the Association, thus providing six teams for the coming season.

Amendments were made to the by-laws of the Association authorizing the President to appoint other than members of the General Committee to the several standing committees of the Association.

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HONGKONG STOCK EXCHANGE.

CLOSING QUOTATIONS.

Hongkong Bank	May 4th, 1926.
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TAKING HUNT.

WEEK-END MEETS.

Saturday, at 3 p.m.—Hounds will meet at Sheung Shui Police Station.

Sunday, at 8 a.m.—Hounds will meet at Mr. Pott's Bungalow.

As summer weather has now started the above will be the last regular meets for the season.

It is hoped to arrange short Hunts, weather and "going" permitting, in the afternoon from 4.30 to 6.30 and early mornings 8 to 9 over the week ends.

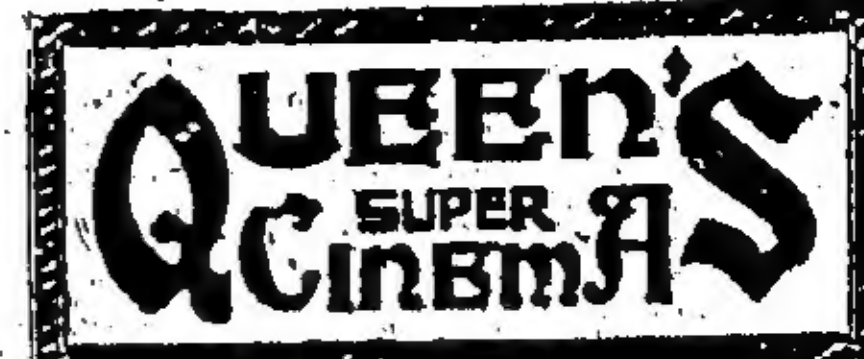
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The season will start this year on May 29th, when the South China champions of last season, and the Japanese Club, who came out second, will play the opening game. H.E. the Governor will be invited to pitch the first ball.

To provide more accommodation for the large number of spectators, another stand, uncovered, will be erected, and for this a nominal admission fee of 20 cents will be charged.

The teams this year will play three rounds on Saturdays and Sundays but there will be no holiday games.



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COLLISION IN FOG.

MARINE COURT OF ENQUIRY EXONERATES CAPT. MASSON.

A Marine Court of Enquiry, composed of Lieut.-Commander G. F. Hale, R.N., Harbour Master (President), Lieut.-Commander C. R. H. Harvey (Royal Naval Chart Depot), Capt. J. R. Scott (Master of the s.s. *Tyndareus*), Capt. A. C. Inglis (Master of the s.s. *Seistan*), and Capt. R. Stephens (Master of the s.s. *Kewyung*), sat at the Harbour Office yesterday to enquire into the circumstances attending the collision between the s.s. *Yatshing* (Indo-China S.N. Co.) and the *Tacoma Maru* (Osaka Shosen Kaisha), in the early hours of April 18th.

Only two witnesses were examined. Capt. C. S. Masson and Mr. George Keir (Master and Chief Officer respectively of the s.s. *Yatshing*). Mr. G. E. Hall Brutton appeared for Capt. Masson, instructed by the Navigators and General Insurance Company, Ltd. Mr. E. Davidson, of Messrs. Hastings, Denny & Bowley, was present for the Indo-China S.N. Co. Mr. G. S. Hugh-Jones, of Messrs. Wilkinson & Grist, watched the case on behalf of the Osaka Shosen Kaisha, owners of the *Tacoma Maru*.

The finding of the Court completely exonerated Capt. Masson. The collision, it will be recalled, took place in a dense fog, on April 18th, off Chiling Point.

Both vessels are alleged to have received a certain amount of damage in the forepeak as a result of the impact.

YESTERDAY'S EVIDENCE.

Capt. C. S. Masson, Master of the s.s. *Yatshing*, was the first witness. He stated that at 4 a.m., on April 18th, he was on the bridge with the first officer on a voyage from Shanghai to Hongkong. The course was S. 74 W. true. The weather was foggy. Witness gave the order to "stand by."

In reply to the President, witness said his order did not indicate a reduction of speed. Continuing, witness said the vessel's speed was 8 knots with the tide against her.

Between 4 and 5 o'clock he heard a steamer's siren about 5 points on the starboard bow.

Speed was reduced to "slow" (about 4 knots) and witness gave the order "starboard" to the quartermaster, with the object of bringing the sound on the beam or astern.

At 4.12 a.m. the fog signal was heard astern. He resumed the former speed (8 knots), continuing on the course and sounding the fog signal continuously. At 5.19 a.m. he heard the fog signal of another vessel, 2 points on the starboard bow. He ascertained this position by sounding his signal again. At 5.20 a.m. he stopped the engines and altered the course to port.

At 5.24 a.m. he observed the red headlight and the red light of a steamer about 4 points on his starboard bow. The order "full astern" was immediately rung down to the engine room.

At 5.25 a.m. the vessels collided. The stem of the *Tacoma Maru* struck the starboard bow of the *Yatshing*.

The *Tacoma Maru* hit a glancing blow and disappeared into the fog ahead, at an angle of about 60 degrees, all that was seen of her being her stern light and name. Witness estimated the *Tacoma*'s speed to be about 10 knots and she had "port-helm on."

The engines of the *Yatshing* were stopped at 5.27 a.m.

Photographs showing the damage done to the *Yatshing* were handed to the Court, but the President refused to accept one from Shanghai, showing the alleged damage to the *Tacoma Maru*.

Immediately after the collision, continued Capt. Masson, was making water slightly in the forepeak. The *Yatshing* remained where was until the fog lifted at 5.46 a.m. The *Tacoma Maru* was then about 2 miles away at anchor. The *Yatshing* moved closer to her, and the second officer was sent on board by boat, to ascertain particulars of the vessel and to ask her commander to send a wireless message to Hongkong for a tug to stand-by the *Yatshing*, which has no wireless.

On the second officer's return, he stated that the *Tacoma Maru* did not require any assistance.

The true position of the *Yatshing* at the time (5.40 a.m.) was 7 miles south of Tong Mei point, 103 miles from Hongkong. The *Yatshing* proceeded on her way at 7.18 a.m. and reached Hongkong at 6 p.m.

In reply to Lieut.-Commander Harvey, witness stated he did not sound the siren before going astern, the vessel was still swinging to port.

EVIDENCE CORROBORATED. Mr. George Keir, Chief Officer of the *Yatshing*, was the next witness. He stated that he went on watch at 4 a.m. on April 18th. The weather was foggy. He called the Master, who came immediately. Witness was acting in compliance with orders given him, "stand-by."

He heard a steamer's fog signal on the starboard bow. Speed was reduced to slow. In other respects Mr. Keir corroborated the evidence of the previous witness.

THE FINDING. We find that the British s.s. *Yatshing*, No. 118378, of Hongkong, and the Japanese s.s. *Tacoma Maru* came into collision in foggy weather, in an approximate position Lat. 22° 27' N., Long. 115° 53' E., at about 5.25 a.m. on April 18th, 1926.

We find that Mr. James Stewart Masson (Certificate Hongkong No. 4056), who was master of the s.s. *Yatshing*, took all precautions to avoid collision; and we are of opinion that he is in no way to blame.

COLONY'S POLICE FORCE.

H.E. THE GOVERNOR'S ANNUAL INSPECTION.

THE COLONY'S GRATITUDE

H.E. the Governor (Sir Cecil Clementi, K.C.M.G.) paid glowing tributes to the work of the Hongkong Police, during the trying days of the strike last Summer, at the annual inspection held at Police Headquarters yesterday.

There were present on parade 30 Europeans, 66 Indians, 88 Wei-Hai-Wei men, 48 Cantonese and 12 Indian Guards.

The parade, under command of the Hon. Mr. E. D. C. Wolfe (Captain Superintendent) assembled in the barrack square, the European, Wei-Hai-Wei and Indian contingents being drawn up in double ranks in front of the charge-room, with the Cantonese and machine-gun section facing them. The Indian guards faced the West, while at the opposite corner were the winners of medals, awards and prizes for shooting.

Other senior officers on parade were Mr. T. H. King (D.C.I.), Mr. D. Burlingham (D.S.P.), Mr. W. G. Gerard (A.S.P.), Chief Inspector Kent, Chief Detective Inspector Grant, and Divisional Inspector W. Blackman.

Among the spectators were Captain Bloxham (A.S.P.) and Mrs. Bloxham, Mr. and Mrs. R. E. Lindsell, Mr. R. C. Treadwell (U.S. Consul-General), Mr. E. Ralphs (U.S. J. Ralston, Commissioner and Assistant Commissioner respectively of the local branch of St. John's Ambulance Association.

GOVERNOR'S ARRIVAL.

Just on the stroke of 4 o'clock, His Excellency, attended by Captain Swinton, M.C., A.D.C., arrived. He was met at the entrance by Mr. Wolfe and received with a "Royal Salute."

Preceded by his A.D.C., His Excellency, attended by Mr. Wolfe, inspected the parade.

This concluded, a move was made to the entrance to Police Headquarters, where the medals and prizes were on view on a table, covered with the Union Jack, the parade forming into a hollow square.

AWARDS FOR VALOUR.

His Excellency then proceeded to pin the police medals, on the tunics of the recipients; after which those who had received the Governor's commendation were drawn up in front of His Excellency. Mr. Wolfe read out details of the service for which the commendation was gained.

Then followed the distribution of prizes for shooting.

His Excellency had a kindly word and hand-shake for each recipient of a medal, award of commendation or prize.

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GOVERNOR'S COMMENDATION.

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For initiative and energy in assisting P.C. (D.193) Miao Pao Tsai (who receives a 4th class medal):—Lee-Sgt. (A.119) McFadgrian; P.C. (D.265) Liu Hong Kun.

For meritorious work in breaking up a dangerous gang of armed criminals on December 20th, 1924, at No. 122, Woosung Street. Three men were convicted and sentenced to imprisonment with hard labour and five were banished:—Lee-Sgt. (A.98) Tyler; P.C. (C.540) Ip Chak; Det-Sgt. (C.180) Wong Lau (now Principal Chinese Detective); Lee-Sgt. (C.245) Shuk Tui; P.C. (C.551) Man Wan; P.C. (C.264) Wong Ewan; P.C. (C.216) Leung Sai Chuen.

For zeal and intelligence displayed in effecting the arrest of a Chinese in Des Voeux Road Central on November 12th, 1925, who had in his possession, cleverly concealed inside wooden clogs two automatic pistols, one revolver and ammunition for same. This man was sentenced to five years' hard labour: P.C. (C.252) Lu Muk.

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It was reported in the *Daily Press* on Monday that Captain Loriga, one of the Spanish aviators, who is on a flight from Madrid to Manila, had not reached Alacua on Saturday evening, although his companion Captain Gallarza effected the flight from Hanoi without any mishap.

As he was still missing on Monday some Portuguese gunboats left Macao on a searching expedition. They are being assisted by the Hongkong naval authorities. H.M.S. *Muradon* and *Zs* were despatched on Monday night, and yesterday they cruised southwards of Hongkong in the hope of finding some trace of the missing aviator.

The damage caused to Capt. Gallarza's machine whilst landing on Saturday has now been repaired.

LOCAL ENTERTAINMENTS.

MOSCOW STATE BALLET.

PICTURE PROGRAMMES.

The Moscow State Ballet gave a change or programme at the Queen's Theatre last night; and will give their concluding performance at this theatre this evening.

Their programme last night was of an entirely different type to that presented on the two previous occasions, and consisted of scenes taken from "Don Quixote." There was again a large attendance and everyone spoke very highly of the performance.

At the earlier shows to-day Reginald Denny is appearing in "What Happened to Jones." As stated this picture has been included on the programme for a second time in response to a popular demand. It is a film which made everyone laugh and many want to see it again.

From to-morrow to Saturday, "His Hour," adapted from the novel by Elinor Glyn, will be the big picture.

THE "STAR."

At the Star Theatre to-day "Gambling Wives," with Marjorie Daw taking a leading part, will again be screened at all shows.

From to-morrow until Saturday, Richard Barthelmess, who was recently seen at the Queen's in "Twenty-One," will be featured as the hero in a sea-story entitled "The Seventh Day." This film will be shown at the 4.15 show only, as the evening performance will be supplied by the Moscow State Ballet, who transfer from the Queen's to the Kowloon side to-morrow.

WEATHER REPORT.

Last night's weather report, forecast and remarks by the Royal Observatory said:—

The anti-cyclone east of Tokyo is stationary. Local forecast: East or variable winds, moderate to light, fair.

MR. HU HAN MIN RESUMES OFFICE.

GATHERING OF KUOMINTANG LEADERS IN CANTON.

MR. EUGENE CHEN'S ARRIVAL.

[FROM OUR CHINESE CORRESPONDENT.]

Mr. Hu Han Min, Kuomintang Minister of Foreign Affairs in Canton, resumed active charge of his department on May 3rd.

His return to power in Canton is being watched with utmost interest, as many Southern Chinese wish the moderates to secure control.

Mr. Wang Ching Wei, acting Chairman of the Kuomintang, has again submitted his resignation. He is now on sick leave and wishes to go either to Moscow or to the Straits and to leave the active leadership of the Party to Mr. Hu, whose reelection to succeed Mr. Wang is generally expected.

Among the arrivals of members of the Kuomintang Executive Committee for the meeting on May 15th, is Mr. Eugene Chen, late editor of the *Peking Min Pao*. Mr. Chen is being again requested to direct the editorial policy of the *Canton Gazette*.

According to the *Chung Hwa Min Pao*, General Wu Te Chen, retired Commissioner of Canton Police, has never been under open arrest as some journals have hinted. General Wu was free enough at least, to give an interview to the correspondent of the *Min Pao*, in which he was reported to have said that he would always submit to orders issued by the party chiefs.

Dr. C. C. Wu, acting Mayor of Canton, without whose consent General Chiang Kai Shek recently dismissed General Wu Te Chen from the office of Police Commissioner, is still unwilling to withdraw the resignation which he submitted as a protest against General Chiang's action.

Mr. Koo Man Yu, a professor of Peking Government University, has arrived in Canton. He will be asked to take over the presidency of Kwangtung University.

TABLET UNVEILED.

On May 1st the Third National Conference of Chinese Labour in session in Canton unveiled a tablet outside the Kuomintang Building to mark the place where the late Mr. Liao Chung Hoi, chief of the Labour Division of the Kuomintang, was assassinated on August 20th. Mrs. Liao Chung Hoi was present at the unveiling ceremony and replied to the several addresses praising the services of her husband to his party.

REPORT DENIED.

Mrs. George Hsu Chien, wife of the acting Chairman of the Canton Diplomatic Commission to Peking, has telegraphed to her many friends in Canton denying the recent report that her husband was shot while the Kuomintang Army was retreating from Peking to Nankow. Mr. Hsu was one time President of the Sino Russian College in Peking. This College has been closed since the occupation of the Northern Capital by the allied troops. The report of Mr. Hsu's death was given wide circulation in the North.

THE QUEEN OF HEAVEN.

Yesterday (May 4th) was the festival of the Tien Hau, or Queen of Heaven, but the usual pilgrimage of Hongkong Chinese to the Temple of the Queen at Chekwan, Chinese Territory, by a special fleet of steam launches or junks did not take place this year, on account of the unsettled conditions. As a consequence the little-known temple to the Queen of Heaven at Fat Tong Mun, just outside the Harbour, has been much frequented the last two days. Few clubs, however, took the trouble to organise parties for the occasion. In years past the Hongkong, Canton & Macao Steamboat Company and other large concerns have often despatched special steamers to Chekwan for the festival.

WHY MR. HU HAN MIN RETURNED.

RECONCILIATION OF OPPOSING FACTIONS.

[FROM OUR CHINESE CORRESPONDENT.]

The first expression of views on public questions given by Mr. Hu Han Min, Minister of Foreign Affairs of the Kuomintang in Canton, since his return from Russia, dealt with his reasons in returning to Canton at this time.

Mr. Hu said that he had to break his stay in Russia because he had heard of the breach between the so-called Reds or Left Wing and anti-Reds or Right Wing of the Party in China. He had returned early in order to effect a reconciliation within the Party. He could not see how up to the time he went away no entries had been made in them.

BANKRUPTCY COURT SEQUEL. PROCEEDINGS AGAINST MANAGING PARTNER.

FALSE STATEMENTS ALLEGED.

The case in which the managing partner of a local Chinese firm is alleged to have made false statements to the Official Receiver, in relation to a petition in bankruptcy filed against his firm in February, again came up for hearing at the Central Magistracy yesterday afternoon, before Mr. R. E. Lindsell.

The proceedings have been taken against this man in view of matters arising out of the bankruptcy case. The defendant is Chau Siu Hin, managing partner of the Wing Shing firm, of No. 28, Ko Shing Street.

There are five charges, in all, preferred against him.

The first alleges that on or about April 16th, he made false statements to the Official Receiver relating to the affairs of the Wing Shing firm.

The second charge is an alternative one alleging that he made the statements knowing them to be false or did not believe them to be true in relation to the affairs of the firm. The remaining three charges allege that defendant concealed, destroyed, mutilated or falsified certain account books relating to the firm's affairs, destroyed, etc., these books with intent to defraud or conceal in making false entries.

Mr. E. S. C. Brooks appeared for the prosecution, and Mr. Andrews appeared for the defence.

CASE RECALLED.

Previous evidence given in this case showed that defendant entered into an agreement to sell the business for \$12,000 without the consent or knowledge of his two partners, who lived in Canton and only visited Hongkong about once a year. It was also stated by the prosecution that four important books relating to the financial transactions of the firm had been destroyed, or had disappeared. The sale was eventually completed, and the balance of the money handed over to the Official Receiver, a bankruptcy petition having in the meanwhile been filed in connection with the Wing Shing firm. It was suggested by the prosecution that the bankruptcy proceedings were entirely collusive between the petitioning creditor and the defendant, and that petitioner's debt and that other debts shown in the books of the firm were fictitious, and did not in fact exist.

Yesterday afternoon, Mr. W. W. Lo produced the original agreement for the sale of the Wing Shing firm, and said that it was prepared on the instructions of the defendant and the purchaser. His firm was acting for both parties. Witness recognised the defendant. According to his instructions he understood that defendant was the sole proprietor. Defendant had admitted to him, however, after being questioned, that there were two or three sleeping partners in Canton. The agreement was signed by the defendant in the presence of witness.

In answer to Mr. Andrews, witness said that he advised the defendant to (insert) the sale.

At the request of Mr. Andrews, witness said that he had been an agreement for the sale.

A PARTNER'S EVIDENCE.

One of the complainant partners in the Wing Shing Shung firm who gave evidence at the last hearing was recalled for cross-examination. Last time he gave evidence to the effect that the sale of the business was entered into by the defendant without his knowledge or consent; and also stated that when he came to Hongkong he inspected the books of two Chinese firms to whom defendant had stated payments of \$9,500 and \$1,500 respectively had been made on behalf of the Wing Shing Shung firm, and did not find any entries bearing out this statement.

In reply to Mr. Andrews, witness said that he did not produce the partnership book to show that the managing director could not sell the business, but witness added, he did say that defendant as managing partner could not sell the business because there was no rule authorising him to do so.

In answer to further questions, witness said that he had seen the partnership book at Messrs. Wilkinson and Grist's, but admitted that it did not contain any rule or article saying that the managing partner had any power to sell the business. The book did not authorise him to sell the business, and neither did it specially forbid him to sell it.

Witness corrected a statement he made at the last hearing, and said that the defendant had been in charge of the business in Hongkong for 17 years, and not two years as previously stated by him.

WITNESS REPRIMANDED.

An assistant accountant of the firm was next called, and as he was on subpoena, Mr. Brooks intimated that he proposed to treat him as a hostile witness.

His Worship remarked that he did not think it was necessary, but later, after witness had made certain statements, then retracted and contradicted them a number of times, Mr. Lindsell had occasion to reprimand severely and caution him as to his behaviour and conduct.

His Worship remarked: First you say one thing and then you say another. If you go on like this I shall commit you. Do you want to go to gaol? You are to speak the truth, otherwise, if you contradict yourself again you will go to prison.

During his evidence, this witness said that the accountant of the firm left and went to Canton. During this man's absence defendant kept the books and accounts. Witness during this time had nothing to do with the books.

Shown certain books, witness said that up to the time he went away no entries had been made in them.

His Worship adjourned the case for further hearing to-morrow afternoon.

MANSLAUGHTER CHARGE.

EUROPEAN THE DEFENDANT.

SEQUEL TO CAUSEWAY BAY MOTOR-CYCLE FATALITY.

The case in which Mr. S. J. Squire, of the Hongkong Electric Company, Ltd., is charged with manslaughter, and also with driving in a reckless manner, came up for first hearing before Major C. Willson at the Central Magistracy yesterday afternoon.

The case, it will be recalled, is a sequel to a serious motor-cycle accident, involving the death of a Chinese, which occurred at the Causeway Bay tram terminus on the night of Saturday, April 17th. The Chinese received severe injuries, owing, it is alleged, to Mr. Squire running into him while riding his motor-cycle. He died in hospital a few hours later.

Yesterday afternoon Chief-Inspector W. Kent appeared to prosecute on behalf of the Traffic Department of the Police, Mr. J. A. Gordon Leask was for the defence, and Mr. H. Somerset Fitzroy held a watching brief on behalf of the widow and dependents of the deceased Chinese.

RUN OVER BY MOTOR-CYCLE.

A Chinese constable, who was on duty near the Causeway Bay tram terminus on the evening of Saturday, April 17th, described how the Chinese in question was run over. He said that he saw two motor-cycles coming from the direction of Causeway Bay towards Central. At the time there was a Chinese squatting outside the tramway shelter, and motor-cycle No. 59 ran over him. The driver of the motor-cycle was a European and fell after running into the Chinese he fell to the ground unconscious. The engine of the machine was still running. The second motor-cycle drove away along Caroline Road.

Witness went to the scene and so did two Europeans. The Europeans sent for two rickshas in which the driver of the motor-cycle and the injured man were removed to the French Hospital. Witness then telephoned to No. 2 Police Station concerning the accident. As there was no doctor at the French Hospital the European and the Chinese were refused admittance, and they were then removed to the Government Civil Hospital.

In answer to Inspector Kent, witness said that when he first noticed the motor-cycles they were about 10 to 20 houses distance away. There were no other vehicles of any description about at the time.

Inspector Kent: Did you see the two machines collide?—Witness: Yes, I did. How fast were the machines going?—At an extremely fast speed.

How many Europeans were there on each cycle?—One on each.

There were no passengers?—No, only the drivers of each machine.

Was deceased sitting quite close to the tramway shed, or out in the gutter?—Just at the entrance to the tramway shed.

Was he on the road or on the footpath?—On the pavement by the tramway shed.

In reply to further questions, witness said that the following day he went to the Government Civil Hospital and identified the deceased Chinese as the man who had been injured the previous night. When the cycles were coming towards him they were in the centre of the road.

CROSS-EXAMINED.

Mr. Leask: When was the collision between the two machines?—Witness: When they were coming along together. One was touching the other.

In reply to another question, witness said this occurred before they passed the police box where he was stationed on duty.

Did you signal them to pass?—They were driving very fast and did not give me the signal as to which way they wished to go.

Was it not your duty to stop them?—I was too slow to stop them.

Did both these cycles pass your box?—Yes, both on the left hand side.

In answer to further questions, witness said that after passing his box motor-cycle No. 59 mounted the pavement and travelled on it before running over the Chinese.

Witness went on to state that both machines were scraping against each other prior to reaching his box, but that was not the cause of one machine running over the Chinese.

When you went to look at the European who had fallen off his cycle, did you notice any other motor-cycle standing near?—There was no other machine there.

Who were the two Europeans you mentioned?—I don't know who they were or where they came from. Witness added that he would not know them if he saw them again.

You are quite sure there was one European on each of these two cycles you saw coming along?—There was only the rider on each cycle.

If the two Europeans who came to pick up the defendant came into Court and say that they were on the second cycle would they be wrong?—I did not see two persons on one motor-cycle. I saw one motor-cycle turn into Caroline Road, but did not see it come back.

In answer to a further question, witness said that the Chinese referred to was squatting alone, but there were five or six other people standing at the entrance to the tramway shelter. The injured man and the European were eventually removed to the Government Civil Hospital in a private motor-car ordered by the other Europeans, as it was thought quicker than waiting for the ambulance which witness had telephoned for.

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QUESTIONS IN PARLIAMENT.

THE CANTON SITUATION.

Sir A. Chamberlain, Secretary for Foreign Affairs (Birmingham, W.), replying to questions by Mr. Looker (Essex, S.E., U.) and Mr. Pethick-Lawrence (Leicester, W., Lab.) about the Canton Government and the strikers, in the House of Commons on March 29th, said:—It appears that the Russians in Canton, together with certain Chinese Communists, plotted to expel from the city General Chiang Kai Shek, who is in command of the troops there. The general thereupon took counter measures, arresting the strike leaders and some of the Russians and Communists. His action was supported by certain moderate elements in the Canton Government, who are believed to be in favour of a settlement of the boycott. But the situation has not yet been cleared up.

Mr. Looker.—Will the right hon. gentleman support any action of the Hongkong Government declining to recognise any claims of a blackmailing nature put forward by the Strikers' Committee?

Sir A. Chamberlain.—If I am to be asked about the action of the Hongkong Government I ought to have notice of the question and to be able to consider its exact terms.

Mr. Pethick-Lawrence (Leicester, W., Lab.)—Is the statement that negotiation is proceeding entirely without foundation?

Sir A. Chamberlain.—I have not said so.

Replying to Mr. H. Williams (Reading, C.), Sir A. Chamberlain said:—As regards the position in North and Central China, I have nothing to add to what has appeared lately in the Press, nor as regards South China, to the statement which I have made this afternoon in reply to the hon. member for South-East Essex. The latest report from the Acting Commercial Counselor at Shanghai (dated January 1st, 1926) on the trade situation in China states that as far as Northern and Central China are concerned, and with the exception of certain well-defined localities, the boycott has practically ceased to exist. The one great hindrance to British as to all other trade is the state of civil war, with its trail of brigandage and lawlessness. Anti-British propaganda and agitation unfortunately continue in China, but there are indications of a change at Canton which may hasten the end of the boycott.

Re-examined by Inspector Kent: Can you identify the European rider of the motor-cycle?—Witness: It is over ten days ago. I cannot recognise him now. I would not know him if I saw him.

DOCTOR'S EVIDENCE.

Dr. W. L. Paterson (medical officer of the Government Civil Hospital) recalled the admission of a Chinese to the hospital on the night of April 17th, at 8.50. Witness described the severe injuries from which the man was suffering, and said that although he operated shortly after the man had been admitted very little could be done for him. The man died the same night at 11.45. On the following day, witness performed a post-mortem examination and found that in addition to the injuries he had mentioned a wound had penetrated the abdominal cavity and there was also a small superficial wound, of about one inch long, in the lower part of the abdomen.

In answer to a question, witness said the wound in the abdomen would necessarily be caused by some very sharp thing.

Inspector Kent suggested that the front number plate of a motor-cycle might have caused such a wound, and witness agreed.

Witness added, in reply to a further question, that at the time the Chinese was admitted, a European, named Mr. Squire was also brought into the hospital.

DOCTOR CROSS-EXAMINED.

Mr. Leask: If the number plate had already been bent over before so that one corner was making a jag, would that cause the laceration you mentioned?—Witness: Yes.

Were there any injuries to the head or back as if he had been thrown against anything?—None.

In your opinion could he have lived if he had been attended to earlier?—No.

Not even if he had been taken up flat on his back on a stretcher?—No.

Would the artery have been cut in this case?—Yes, several.

Witness added that the immediate flow of blood was almost fatal. The Chinese had lost so much blood that nothing could be done, apart from the other injuries.

First aid at the time would not have helped him?—Nothing at all.

STATE OF DEFENDANT.

What was the state of Mr. Squire when he came in to the hospital?—He was suffering severely from shock.

Any injuries?—Slight abrasions. Nothing that would make you think he had been violently thrown from a motor-cycle?—No.

It is possible that if Mr. Squire's machine and the other cycle collided with each other that shock might have caused and caused Mr. Squire to suffer loss of memory as to what had happened?—I have never experienced it. I have heard of it, but in my opinion it would take a very severe shock to cause this state.

In reply to further questions by Mr. Leask on this point, witness said that a slight shock was not likely to cause amnesia.

After further formal evidence had been given by other witnesses, His Worship adjourned further hearing of the case until Friday afternoon.

It was indicated by the prosecution that the case was likely to occupy two or three more hearings.

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PAUL LAUDER,
General Manager.
Hongkong, May 3rd, 1926. [3519]

BRITISH TRADERS' INSURANCE
COMPANY, LTD.

NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the
SIXTIETH ORDINARY YEARLY
MEETING of the Company will be held at its
Head Office, Union Building, Hongkong, on
FRIDAY, 29th MAY, 1926, at 11.15 A.M. for
the purpose of receiving the Report of the
Directors and the Statements of Account to
31st December, 1925, and of declaring
Dividends, etc.

The TRANSFER BOOKS of the Company
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28th, both days inclusive.

By Order of the Board,
PAUL LAUDER,
General Manager.
Hongkong, May 3rd, 1926. [3520]

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COMPANY, LTD.

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FIFTY-SEVENTH ORDINARY
YEARLY MEETING of the Company will be held
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Hongkong, on FRIDAY, 29th MAY, 1926, at
11.30 A.M. for the purpose of receiving the
Report of the Directors and the Statements of
Account to 31st December, 1925, and of
declaring Dividends, etc.

The TRANSFER BOOKS of the Company
will be CLOSED from MAY 12th to MAY
28th, both days inclusive.

By Order of the Board,
PAUL LAUDER,
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Hongkong, May 3rd, 1926. [3521]

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The Daily Press.

HONGKONG, MAY 5TH, 1926.

GREAT BRITAIN'S CRISIS.

It is difficult at this distance to realise
the full gravity of the crisis with which
the British Empire is now confronted.
We can only hope that the opinions
expressed by the newspapers, in their
emancipated editions just before the
printers left, will prove correct. The
Daily Telegraph declared that the
general strike was bound to fail and
fail soon. The Daily Express not only
asserted that the Strike would fail
speedily, but foresaw the danger of such
a crushing victory for the Government
as to create the possibility of reactionary
influences seeking to exploit it.

The struggle, as the Premier declared,
was not one primarily over the question
of wages. The Labour leaders have gone
nearer to declaring Civil War than we
have been for centuries. If they win the
very freedom of our Constitution will be
imperilled. Mr. J. H. THOMAS also
touched upon a vital point when he stated
that whatever the result of the Strike the
economic facts of the Coal position would
remain. It has been found, after the
most painstaking examination, that the
industry cannot now pay the wages de-
manded. In the circumstances it seems
to us that the Strikers cannot possibly
secure an effective victory. Even if they
gain supreme control where is the money
they desire to come from?

Offers of service to the Government are
pouring in from all parts of the Country,
and after all it is the people of the
Country who will decide the issue. If
the Trade Unionists find that public
opinion is solidly against them, as it
appears to be, their strangle-hold on the
nation will quickly weaken. We can do
little but watch events.

In connection with the strike a special
service of prayer will be held at St.
Andrew's Church, Kowloon, at 6 o'clock
this evening. The Rev. G. B. Lindsay,
the Vicar, will conduct the service.

BRITISH FILMS AT THE
QUEEN'S THEATRE.

As is well known there has been a con-
siderable outcry in Great Britain regard-
ing the large number of American films
shown at the cinema theatres. Our local
film company, also, has not escaped
criticism in this respect. At Home the
various big interests are trying to work
out some practical scheme under which
a certain percentage of British produc-
tions must be given at each exhibition.
If they do not agree it is suggested that
the Government will step in and legislate
on the subject. Here, we understand, we
can have British films if we want them
and care to show, in the only way that
counts, that we appreciate them. Quite
frankly, however, the British films that
have been shown in Hongkong so far have
not been particularly successful. That,
apparently, is the reason why more have
not been booked.

Now, it seems, we are to be given
another "chance." In deference to those
correspondents who profess to dislike too
much of the "wild and woolly West" in
the picture menu, the Hongkong Amuse-
ments Company have secured an all
British production "The Love Story of
Alette Brunton" adapted from GILBERT
FRANKAU's well-known novel. It may not
be GILBERT FRANKAU's destiny to be num-
bered among the immortals as a novelist
but there is no doubt regarding his popu-
larity. "Peter Jackson, Cigar Mer-
chant" was the book that made him
famous and his works, ever since, have
been numbered high up among the best
sellers. Just recently he has been upon
a lecturing tour in the United States and
has roundly attacked both Mr. BERNARD
SHAW and Mr. H. G. WELLS on account
of their views on Socialism. Mr. FRANKAU,
in the course of his remarks, said that
Mr. SHAW drew a handsome salary but
was not seen to give actual money for
Socialist endeavour. Both Mr. SHAW and
Mr. WELLS, in his opinion, would be the
first to "squel" if Socialism did come
in.

But all that is by the way. The im-
portant fact we wished to convey to our
readers was that "The Story of Alette
Brunton," a British film, will be shortly
screened at the Queen's Theatre as an
experiment. It depends upon the recep-
tion it receives whether it will be simply
the forerunner of many more productions
by British Companies. It will be given a
fair trial, with special music, and it will
be for the public to decide.

Mr. W. J. Chanson, of 123, Wong Nei
Chong Road, was treated for a dog bite
at the Government Civil Hospital on
Monday. The dog was not captured.

The forthcoming wedding is announced
of Mr. George William Miller, marine
engineer, of No. 12A, Village Road,
Happy Valley, to Miss Ella Lawrence,
38, Elgin Street.

A returned banished was sentenced to
eight months' hard labour and ordered
to receive fifteen strokes with the birch
by Mr. R. E. Lindsell at the Central
Magistracy yesterday.

Before Major C. Willson at the
Central Magistracy yesterday, a Chinese
motor-driver was fined \$15 for having
disobeyed a policeman's signal. Dr.
G. W. Pope gave evidence for the pro-
secution.

Home and Europe mail via Siberia
was brought yesterday afternoon by the
S.S. Seining. Thirty-one bags arrived
from the United Kingdom, the remain-
der, apart from that from the Continent,
being from Shanghai.

Sir William Brunyate, formerly Vice-
Chancellor of Hongkong University, was
one of the guests of the Egyptian Chargé
d'Affaires at a dinner party given on
March 28th at Claridge's, in honour of
the birthday of King Fuad.

A Chinese cook of the S.S. Kinshan,
who tried to smuggle into the Colony 14
tanks of illicit opium wrapped up in
bundles of joss sticks, was fined \$1,500 at
the Central Magistracy yesterday, with
the alternative of six months' hard
labour.

The engagement is announced between
Cecil Brooke Short, adjutant, Royal
Marine, Eastney Barracks, Portsmouth,
and Mary, second daughter of Admiral
Sir Arthur Leveson, K.C.B., and Lady
Leveson, West Lavington Hill, Midhurst,
Sussex.

"Kid" Alfred, feather weight cham-
pion of the Colony, gave a boxing ex-
hibition at the Chinese Y.M.C.A. last
evening, before an audience of interested
spectators. The Chinese Y.M.C.A. has a
class in boxing in its physical training
department.

There will be a Parade of local Boy
Scouts on Murray Parade ground, on
Wednesday, May 12th, at 5.30 p.m., when
H.E. the Governor, who is Chief Scout
for Hongkong, will inspect the Troops,
witness a display of Scout work, and
present awards.

A correspondent suggests that Empire
Day (May 24th) should be celebrated by
a route march from the Parade ground
to the Race-course in the morning and
a band concert in Statue Square during
the afternoon. Empire Day this year
falls on Whit Monday.

A young Chinese couple were remanded
until Saturday at the Central Magis-
tracy yesterday, on a charge of having
received a quantity of jewellery, alleged
to have been stolen from a show-case at
Queen's Road East. Bail was allowed.
Mr. M. W. Lo defended.

A report has been made to the police
by a Chinese foreman employed on the
Kowloon-Canton Railway, that about
eleven o'clock on Monday night three
men broke into his room at No. 6 Kow-
loon-Canton Railway quarters, Ma Mui
Tsui, Shatin, and robbed him of \$20.50.

Recently the roof of two old houses
opposite No. 2 Police Station, Wanchai,
collapsed, and as the roof of each of the
adjoining four houses also appeared to
be in danger of caving in, the occupants
were advised to vacate the premises.
Yesterday the pulling down of the six
houses was commenced.

Marine Lake and Marine Jones, of
H.M.S. Tamar, were admitted to the
Naval Hospital on Monday suffering
from severe head and facial injuries con-
sequent on their crashing into a granite
wall on the Shaikwan Road whilst
riding a motor-cycle. One of the men
was riding on the pillion.

Charged on remand on two counts of
demanding money with menaces from a
boatman, a Chinese was sentenced by
Mr. J. H. B. Nihil at the Kowloon
Magistracy to two months' hard labour.
The man's defence was that he went on
board a junk to collect \$5 due to him,
but was refused payment, and was as-
saulted and pushed into the water.

The yearly meetings of the Union
Insurance Society of Canton, Ltd., the
British Traders' Insurance Company,
Ltd., and the China Fire Insurance Com-
pany, Ltd., are advertised to take place
at the Head Office of the Companies,
Union Building, on Friday, May 28th.
The meetings will be held at 11 a.m.,
11.15 a.m., and 11.30 a.m. respectively.

At the Central Magistracy yester-
day, James Roman, a British subject, was
sent to the House of Detention on a
charge of vagrancy. It was stated that
defendant at his own request had been
discharged from an American ship, and
instead of waiting for the American
Consul to find him another ship had a
series of drinking bouts, went to gaol,
and finished up in hospital.

Mr. and Mrs. E. A. Leggatt, accom-
panied by the Misses H. and F. Leggatt,
were passengers on the S.S. Albion for
Australia yesterday. Mr. Leggatt, the
Superintendent in Hongkong of the
Eastern Extension, Australasia and
China Telegraph Company, is going on
leave. According to present arrange-
ments Mr. Leggatt will return to the
Colony for one more period of service
and will then be due for retirement.

The annual smoking concert and dis-
tribution of prizes in connection with
shooting competitions of the H.K.V.D.C.
will be held at the Volunteer Headquar-
ters on Friday evening. H.E. the G.O.C.
(Major-General C. C. Luard) will pre-
sent the prizes. Those taking part in
the concert will be Messrs. J. A. E.
Bullock, H. E. Gardner, Charles Olive,
R. A. Green, E. E. Mimack, Bert
Burrows, Vic. Blundell, R. O. Suther-
land, Pipe-Major Douglas Wilson and
Co-Sergeant Major R. H. Charles.

When a Chinese was sued for \$705, by
the Empress Store, Kowloon, before Mr.
Justice Wood at the Summary Court
yesterday, defendant alleged that he was
not the man who had incurred the debt.
He said that he had lived in Nathan
House and had the writ served upon
him, whereas it should have been served
on another man with whom he was
living. His Lordship made an order
against him for the amount, but in-
timated that if he could prove that he
was not the man, the order would be
revoked. Mr. Vaux appeared for the
plaintiff.

KALEE HOTEL, SHANGHAI, SOLD.

The Hongkong & Shanghai Hotels, Ltd.,
have sold the Kalee Hotel, situated in
Kiangsi Road, Shanghai.

No details are given regarding the
transaction. A cable has been received
stating simply that the hotel has been
sold, and it is presumed that Mr. J. H.
Taggart, the Managing Director of the
Hotels Company, who is at present in
Shanghai, has put through the deal during
the last few days.

Among the properties owned by the
Hongkong & Shanghai Hotels, Ltd., in
Shanghai are the Astor House Hotel, the
Majestic Hotel and the Palace Hotel.

THE FARMERS OF NEW
KOWLOON.WATER-CRESS BEDS AND
MOSQUITO NUISANCE.DISCUSSION AT THE SANITARY
BOARD.

At a meeting of the Sanitary Board
yesterday a short discussion took place
relative to mosquito breeding on water-
cress beds in New Kowloon.

Mr. N. L. Smith (the President) moved
the following resolution:—"That the
Board abstain from prosecuting for mos-
quito breeding, owners of lots of wet
cultivation in the outlying areas of New
Kowloon, and urge upon the Govern-
ment the necessity for resuming and drain-
ing such plots from time to time."

The President remarked that if a
nuisance was discovered the Board should
take steps to abate it. They, however,
had no legal right to prosecute the owners
of water-cress beds, and he thought the
best thing to do would be pass a recom-
mendation to the Government.

Mr. WONG KWONG TIN said that when
the British took over the New Territories
in 1898, a proclamation had been issued
by the Governor to the effect that
the Chinese who carried on cultivation
there were not to be interfered with. He
hoped that the resolution did not apply
to the New Territories.

The President said that New Kowloon
came within the jurisdiction of the Board.
He merely desired to make the recom-
mendation in order to carry out the
obligations of the Board.

Col. BOYLAN SMITH thought that the
President had found a very tactful way
out of the difficulty. He felt that the
Board must be consistent. They would
only make fools of themselves if they took
measures which failed to pass the Court.
On the other hand they could not allow
insanitation in places under their con-
trol.

Dr. S. W. Tso said that admittedly
Kowloon was developing in every way,
but he felt that "these poor farmers
should in some way be protected." Their
families had carried on the trade for
hundreds of years.

Dr. KOCH said apparently his colleague
thought that the Sanitary Board were
very hard on the farmers. The Board's
intention was to carry out sanitation in
the outside districts. The people's cus-
tom would not be interfered with, but the
Board desired that the people should con-
firm to the ordinary rules of sanitation.
Replying to Dr. Tso, the President
said that it was a very difficult problem.
The plots bred mosquitoes, and it was
very desirable that the Government should
take control of them, and that the mos-
quito nuisance should be diminished.

Col. BOYLAN SMITH seconded the resolu-
tion and it was carried unanimously.

VILLAGE SANITATION.

On the proposition of the President,
seconded by Mr. WONG KWONG TIN, Dr.
W. V. M. KOCH, Dr. A. G. M. SEVERN,
and Dr. S. W. Tso were appointed as a
committee to carry out investigations with
regard to village sanitation.

Those present were Mr. N. L. Smith
(the President), Col. Boylan Smith, Dr.
W. V. M. Koch, Dr. S. W. Tso, Mr.
Wong Kwong Tin, Dr. A. G. M. Severn,
and Mrs. R. A. D. Forrest (Secretary).

COMING HOME PREPARED.

CHINESE FROM U.S.A. READY FOR
EMERGENCIES.

A Chinese was fined \$600 by Mr.
R. E. Lindsell at the Central Magistracy
yesterday, for being in possession of
three revolvers and 999 rounds of am-
munition. He pleaded that he had
brought the weapons from America for
his own protection.

For the defence, Mr. J. T. Prior asked
for leniency. He said that the defendant
was a butcher in America and had re-
turned by the President Taft. While in
America he had heard of the prevalence
of armed robberies in China. It was
thirty years since the defendant was last
in Hongkong, and he had been away from
China for fifteen years.

Sergeant McDonald said that the
police did not wish to press the charge.
From inquiries that had been made, they
did not think that defendant had any
motive other than the one stated for
bringing the arms.
The Magistrate also ordered that the
arms be confiscated.

GENERAL STRIKE COMMENCED.

FURTHER AND FINAL EFFORT TO SECURE PEACE FAILS.

FATEFUL DEBATE IN THE COMMONS.

INDIAN COMMUNIST M.P. ARRESTED ON SEDITION CHARGE.

[THROUGH REUTER'S AGENCY.]

THE WORKERS OF GREAT BRITAIN LEFT THEIR TASKS IN A QUIET AND ORDERLY MANNER AT THE APPOINTED HOUR ON MONDAY NIGHT AND THE GENERAL STRIKE HAS NOW BECOME EFFECTIVE. NO NEWSPAPERS ARE BEING PRINTED. NO FOREIGN OR COLONIAL PARCELS WILL BE ACCEPTED BY THE POST OFFICE, AND INLAND PACKAGES HAVE TO BE RESTRICTED TO A MAXIMUM OF EIGHT OUNCES. "THE ONLY LIGHT HEARTS IN THE COUNTRY," DECLARED THE PREMIER, "ARE THOSE WHICH ENVIED OR HATED US." IT IS NOT WAGES BUT THE VERY FREEDOM OF OUR CONSTITUTION WHICH IS IMPERILED.

MR. SARLATVALA, THE INDIAN COMMUNIST M.P., HAS BEEN ARRESTED IN LONDON, AND WILL BE CHARGED WITH UTTERING A SEDITIOUS SPEECH AT HYDE PARK.

LONDON, May 3rd.

"They have failed, and the general strike is on to-morrow." In these words the Miners' Secretary, Mr. J. H. Cook, told Reuter of the fateful failure of the negotiations between the Cabinet and Trade Unionists soon after eleven o'clock last night.

Meanwhile, around the Houses of Parliament, there were scenes which recalled 1814. Thousands of people completely blocked Parliament Square, while Downing Street was impassable throughout the evening. Dozens of extra police, with much difficulty cleared a way for taxis and motor cars leaving the Palace Yard.

A section of the crowd repeatedly sang "The Red Flag" and raised cheers for the miners. Another section sang "God Save the King" and there was a rush in their direction. The police, however, controlled the crowd and there was no disorder.

FINAL BREAKDOWN.

A meeting has been arranged between members of the Cabinet and the Trade Union Congress at the House of Commons to-night.

Notwithstanding numerous conversations between the Cabinet and Trade Unionists at the Commons it was announced at 11.30 that negotiations had failed and that the strike would be proclaimed at midnight.

"STATE OF EMERGENCY."

LATER.

The Proclamation of a State of Emergency, empowered the Government to take all measures deemed necessary for the maintenance of public order and the assurance of essential supplies, transport, etc. under the 1920 Act, which enacted that a declaration of a State of Emergency may be proclaimed if any action is taken or immediately threatened calculated, by interfering with the supply or distribution of food, water, fuel, light and means of locomotion, to deprive the community of the essentials of life.

The Council of O.M.S. (Organisation for the Maintenance of Supplies) has announced to-day that its whole organisation has been handed over to the Government.

STRIKE NEWS.

Special constables have been ordered to report at London stations.

The Broadcasting Company is functioning for the issue of official communications, which the Government decide to broadcast and the Government announce it is considering the important question of supplying the public with news in newspaper form. In the meantime, it will be broadcasting news five times a day at fixed hours.

The Postmaster General notified that no foreign and colonial parcels will be accepted, while inland packages must be restricted to a maximum of eight ounces. No parcels will be delivered within the London postal area. The public are urged to economise the use of telephones.

A Board of Trade order establishes a milk pool for London and the provision of an exchange. It is agreed that last Friday's market prices be made the maximum prices until further notice.

Government spokesmen addressing pressmen at noon, reported that the news from the country was eminently satisfactory. There was no excitement and everything was normal. Offers of services were pouring in from all over the country. Foodstuffs were normal on the whole and in many cases above the average.

The Stock Exchange is disorganised, with practically no business. Prices have been precautionarily marked down but there is no selling pressure. Home rails are one or two points down.

NOT A REVOLUTION.

Mr. J. H. Thomas said that whatever the result of the strike, anybody was a blind idiot who did not see that the economic facts of the coal position would remain. He did not believe that two per cent. of the population would support revolution, but the people involved in the strike might be driven by circumstances that might have all the effects of revolution, with entirely different objects. "This is not a revolution but a plain economic industrial dispute," Parliament could force an honourable settlement, and he would make his contribution to that whenever opportunity offered.

LLOYD GEORGE'S APPEAL.

Mr. Lloyd George begged the Government to make one more effort for peace. He said that the members of the Trades Union Congress who ordered the strike were as little revolutionary as anyone there, and the Government could continue the negotiations without loss of rights or position. He proposed that the miners be asked to open negotiations to discuss wages, but not to pledge themselves to a reduction in advance. He added that in the event of the resumption of negotiations, the House would agree to a limited continuation of the subsidy.

[BRITISH WIRELESS SERVICE.]

MR. BALDWIN'S ADDRESS.

ROGAY, May 3rd.

During the course of his speech, the Premier said that the coal trade had not been wholly happy or settled since the war, and the difficulties, which were already showing symptoms about four years ago, were only masked and delayed by the French occupation of the Ruhr, which, while it lasted gave what was really a fictitious value to coal. When the Ruhr occupation was removed the world's supply increased so fast that the world's prices tumbled fast.

After reviewing the terms of the report of the Coal Commission, the Premier said that the single attempt of the Government had been to obtain the assent of both parties to the recommendations of the Report with a view to placing the industry on an efficient and self-governing basis. Last Friday night the position was that the miners' representatives were not prepared to consider any immediate reduction of wages or an increase of hours, which meant that the industry could not be carried on without a continuation of the subsidy. The Government could not agree to continue paying, indefinitely, wages to miners and profits to mine-owners at the expense of the tax-payers.

Negotiations broke down on Friday night. On Saturday, the General Council of the Trade Union Congress expressed their willingness to discuss matters with him, and he invited their Committee to come and see him that night. He did so despite the threat of a general strike, which he ignored for the moment. So anxious was he to see if even at the last moment a way might be found out of a position which had become almost insoluble. He paid tribute to the efforts which all had made to reach a settlement and said they endeavoured to reach a position where the Trade Union Council, on behalf of the miners, would give an assurance to the effect that they felt confident that, given another fortnight, a settlement would be reached on the basis of the Coal Commission's report. If the Government had been able to get that assurance, they would have risked another fortnight of negotiation. Discussions were resumed on Sunday evening, and another effort was made to obtain that assurance. Meanwhile, he had learned that certain overt acts had already taken place in anticipation of a general strike. They were acts interfering with the freedom of the press, and the Government found it impossible to pursue the negotiations further. The Government found itself challenged by an alternative body which was incapable of arresting disobedience to its commands. He became convinced, last night, that the General Council of the Trades Unions was not in control of the situation and that it would be wrong for him and the Government to continue negotiating unless they got an immediate and unconditional withdrawal of the order for a general strike.

Sir Robert Horne, was also among the speakers and he strongly condemned the action of the Trades Union Council in threatening a general strike. The Council had taken action, he said, without consulting their constituents.

[THROUGH REUTER'S AGENCY.]

MR. RAMSAY MACDONALD'S ARGUMENT.

Mr. Ramsay MacDonald solemnly asked the House in that hour of trial to raise themselves to a great triumph. He declared that they faced a situation the development and end of which none could visualise. If the miners were going to accept a reduction of wages on a programme of reconstruction, they must see that programme of reconstruction first. He respected the constitution as much as the Conservatives and, whatever their differences, they ought not to enter the dispute with hot heads, but with determination to do justice.

MR. CHURCHILL ON "THE CHALLENGE."

Mr. Winston Churchill gladly recognised that the Trade Union negotiations had driven to ward off a shocking disaster to national life and the Government had also striven for peace by words and deeds. He pointed out that all the appeals for more time meant a continuation of the subsidy, and the Government could only agree to that if there was a real change of a settlement. He said the miners practically had not budged an inch since last July. He did not believe that the continuation of the subsidy for a fortnight would clear up the position. He asked what Government could enter into a partnership with a rival Government to sit in judgment on every train that ran. The Government must shoulder its responsibilities, even if it were necessary later to take steps which if mentioned now, might seem drastic. He added that the Trades Union Congress had only to withdraw its challenge of a general strike and the Government would immediately resume "with the utmost patience the laborious task of the past few weeks."

A SIGNIFICANT QUERY.

There was a significant incident when Mr. Churchill sat down.

Mr. Thomas asked the Premier whether the Chancellor's statement meant that if the general strike notices were withdrawn, the Government would see that the coal notices were withdrawn. Mr. Thomas intimated that he did not expect an immediate answer.

The House melted following Mr. Thomas's query, and immediately after, Mr. Baldwin was in contact with individual Trade Unionists, while the Miners' Executive held a special meeting in the House.

GENERAL STRIKE BECOMES EFFECTIVE.

LONDON, May 4th.

In orderly and deliberate manner the general strike of workers in the transport, printing, building and various other industries became effective at midnight.

The men whose shifts began before midnight finished their turns of duty, and thus the night omnibus and railway services were concluded, and vehicles taken to depots.

The men did not look on after midnight.

SOME PRESS VIEWS.

LATER.

With the pre-midnight shifts working, most of the morning newspapers survived the strike barrage, but they appear in the smallest dimensions, which is explained by such notices as "Emergency Edition," and "Special Strike Number."

The pages are almost exclusively devoted to the momentous happenings following the coal stoppage, and most echo the Premier's exhortation for steadiness.

The *Daily Telegraph* declares the general strike is bound to fail, and fail soon. "The *Daily News*" opines that "when this miserable and unnecessary struggle is over" the Government and Parliament will have to turn to the Coal Commission's report.

The *Daily Herald* says that whatever the outcome is, it will certainly mark the dismissal of Toryism to limbo. The *Westminster Gazette* has reason to fear that Mr. Baldwin has suddenly put down his foot at the wrong moment on the wrong point. The *Daily Express* asserts the strike will fail speedily. The danger is it will result in such a crushing victory for the Government as to create the possibility of reactionary influences seeking to exploit it.

STRANGE SCENES IN LONDON.

LONDON, May 4th.

The streets present an amazing and unparalleled appearance as a result of the measures taken by business people to reach their daily work, consequent on the complete withdrawal of the usual means of passenger transport.

From the early hours crowds of all ages and classes of the community started to foot it, from the suburbs on their walk of several miles to the town.

In many instances they called at stations en route only to find the gates closed. A few stray "pirate" buses which had not joined the strike were overweighted with passengers hanging on in the most precarious positions.

Other conveyances pressed into service were motor-bicycles, with crowded side-cars, and hundreds of long discarded bicycles, with the rider, in many cases, carrying a pillion passenger, and a few stray lorries which were picking up the footsore.

The most wonderful sight in the streets, however, was presented by the thousands of motor-cars which quickly caused enormous congestion, especially in the West End and main roads leading to the City, despite the presence of hundreds of mounted and foot police directing the traffic. Cars were only able to proceed at a snail's pace, with "cork hold-ups."

The Thames Embankment, one of the widest thoroughfares in London, presented a remarkable scene, motor vehicles in serried ranks of six and eight abreast going at a rate of about two miles per hour.

Fortunately, the weather is the finest, and the utmost good humour prevails. Business was seriously handicapped as hundreds of cars were still trying to reach their destination at noon.

DUTCH AND GERMAN SUPPORT.

ROTTERDAM, May 3rd.

The Transport Workers' Federation has exhorted its members not to assist coal-loading for Britain and not to work vessels entering Nieuwaterweg for the purpose of bunkering which are normally bunkered in Britain.

ESSEX, May 3rd.

The German Miners' Federation has issued a manifesto adhering to the Brussels agreement, and recommends the miners not to work overtime.

[REUTER'S AMERICAN SERVICE.]

REACTION IN AMERICA.

NEW YORK, May 3rd.

There has been a sharp decline in stock prices and a drop of over half a cent in sterling exchange. New low records for French and Belgian currencies were Wall Street's reaction to the British labour crisis.

[THROUGH REUTER'S AGENCY.]

COMMUNIST M.P. ARRESTED. TO BE CHARGED WITH UTTERING SEDITIOUS SPEECH.

LONDON, May 4th.

Mr. Saklatvala, the Communist M.P., has arrested, and will be charged at Bow Street with uttering a seditious speech at Hyde Park.

[THROUGH HAVAS AGENCY.]

FRANCO-SYRIAN WAR.

BEIRUT, May 4th.

Several villages around Saida have submitted to the French forces.

[THROUGH REUTER'S AGENCY.]

SCULLING.

MAJOR GOODSELL RETAINS WORLD TITLE.

SYDNEY, May 3rd.

Over a course of three miles, one hundred and sixty-seven yards, on the Parramatta River to-day, Major Goodsell retained his title of world's sculling champion by beating Tom Saul by seven lengths. The time given was 23 minutes 11 seconds.

THE GREEK MUTINY.

MAJORS SENTENCED TO DEATH NOW RELEASED.

ATHENS, May 3rd.

Three Majors who were sentenced to death as leaders of the Salonika mutiny have been granted an amnesty and released.

DEATH OF MR. W. W. MUNDY.

TRAGIC PIRACY ON CANTON RIVER RECALLED.

The announcement of the death of Mr. Walter William Mundy, which took place at Ealing on March 26th, at the age of 73 years, recalls one of the tragic piracies of the old *Spark* on the Canton River.

Mr. Mundy, who was a ten man, was a passenger on the occasion, which was in the middle of the seventies of last century. He was very badly wounded in the side, shoulder and neck. Indeed, for the rest of his life his neck was always bent on one side. The pirates left him for dead and intended throwing him overboard, but his body hit the taffrail and fell back in the scupper, fortunately for him. When the pirate gang left in the pre-arranged junk which came up the saloon boys wrapped Mr. Mundy in tablecloths, which stanchioned the flow of blood, and undoubtedly saved his life. Some dozen or fifteen men were subsequently caught and beheaded for the piracy. One of the singular features as regards Mr. Mundy was that one of the gang was caught wearing a ring which had been taken from his victim's finger. This ring was an heirloom in the family, and at one time had been lost in a barn for a period of forty years.

HOME ON LEAVE.

THE CHINA STATION, AND EXPENSIVE TASTES.

A young naval officer, named Navill, Lionel John Pisani, home on leave from the China Station, went to a Brighton dance hall, where three five-pound notes and a gold wristlet watch belonging to him disappeared.

On March 26th Frank Nicholas Bruff, 31, described as a professional dancer, was committed for trial charged with stealing them. In the Court Pisani said: "I think cigarette ends were put in my drinks. I cannot tell you what happened. It was my first experience of the kind, and I have been in many ports between Peking and Port Said. I do not assert that this man robbed me."

Mr. Graham Hooper (for the defence): Are you a man of expensive tastes? Probably, many people would be after three years in China."

Mr. Graham Cooper asked Pisani if he danced with a girl, and he replied, "I don't remember."

He was also asked, "Did you give £5 for a box of chocolates and tell the boy to keep the change?" He answered, "I don't remember." Asked also if he took out his wallet and threw Treasury notes about the table, he answered, "I don't remember."

MISSIONARIES FOR CHINA.

APPEAL TO THE MEDICAL AND NURSING PROFESSIONS.

The under-staffing of many mission hospitals has prompted the missionary societies to embody this year in their reports a call for service, addressed to the medical and nursing professions.

A list of typical posts is published by the Student-Christian Movement, in collaboration with the Conference of Missionary Societies. Women doctors, it is stated, are wanted, particularly in China, for women's hospitals, general hospitals, and for pioneer medical work in popular areas.

The China Inland Mission is asking for six women to undertake district and pioneering work in Hankow. The Church Missionary Society is asking for twenty-six medical women, teachers and nurses for China and Japan.

AUSTRALIAN CRICKETERS.

GREGORY MAKES CENTURY AGAINST LEICESTERSHIRE.

LONDON, May 3rd.

At Leicestershire to-day, in fine weather, before a crowd of ten thousand, the Australian team, batting first against Leicestershire, scored 305 runs for nine wickets.

Colling, the captain, was at the wicket for three hours and scored only 44, including four fours. Bardley made 22, Ponsford 55, while Gregory in an exhilarating display hit up a splendid 102 not out.

The rapidity with which he scored can be judged by the fact that the century included a six, and fifteen 4's.

AMATEUR REAL TENNIS.

HOLDER RETAINS SINGLES TITLE.

LONDON, May 3rd.

At Manchester to-day, in the challenge round for the Amateur Real Tennis Singles title, the holder, Mr. E. M. Baerlin, defeated the Hon. O. N. Bruce by 6-2, 6-0, 6-0.

Last year Baerlin also carried off the M.C.C. prize.

DAVIS CUP TENNIS.

PORTUGAL ELIMINATED BY SOUTH AFRICA.

South Africa eliminated Portugal from the Davis Cup Tournament in the first round.

The matches were played at Sutton, and South Africa qualified to meet Austria in the second round by winning three out of the first four matches played at Sutton to-day.



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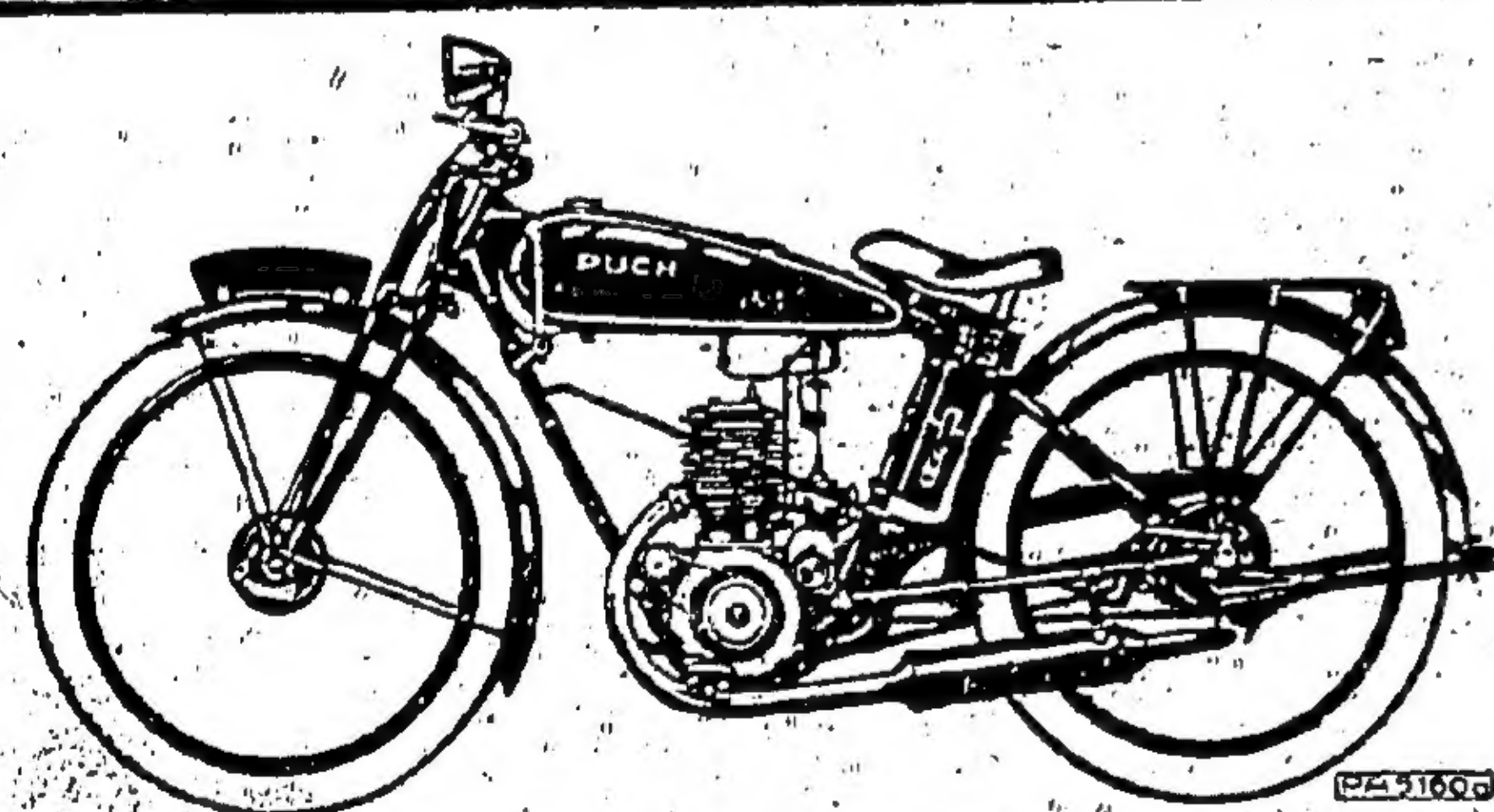
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Motoring Notes:

A Weekly

Review dealing with matters of interest to all local motorists.—Running costs of a small car.

[BY AN OWNER-DRIVER.]

WATCH FOR ECONOMY.

The running costs of a car were discussed last week. The conclusion reached was that five cents a mile for petrol and tyres for a small owner-driven car, was a fair estimate which should not be exceeded if reasonable care was exercised.

If the owner-driver is careless and takes no trouble to see that his tyres are properly inflated and that the petrol is not stolen these costs may exceed five cents a mile.

Let us now consider the cost of insurance, garage, repairs and license.

SOME COSTS.
 The local premium for an "all" in insurance policy for a car worth about \$2,000 seems to be \$100. The annual license for a light car is sixteen dollars and the driver's license is five dollars.

The cost of a garage is an item that varies very much indeed. It is the garage problem that prevents many people from having a small car. It is not a very expensive matter to put up a garage big enough for a four-seater, but the burden may be heavier if it is necessary to store the car in a public garage. It is difficult, in some places, to obtain the site for a garage; but it is possible to erect quite a useful garage for a small car for about five hundred dollars.

During the first two years the bills for repairs for the car should be very little, but in any case the costs for repairs depends very much upon the way in which the car is handled.

SPARE PARTS.
 The mechanism of a car is now made of such good materials that there is not the same expense for repairs as in the early days of motoring.

Spare parts are available if the car is purchased locally. That is the great advantage of selecting a car that is marketed in this Colony.

If we now sum up "other costs," after petrol and tyres have been paid for, we have a total of about \$250 a year.

That is made up of (a) Insurance at \$100; (b) Tax and driver's license at \$21; (c) garage (if owned by car-driver) \$50; (d) Oil and grease at \$30; (e) Repairs at \$50.

The actual total is \$251 per annum which, on a year's run of 5,000 miles (500 miles a month) is less than five cents a mile.

THE TOTAL COSTS.
 It is admitted that the garage may be more costly than is estimated above. On the other hand it is fair to suggest that the figure of five cents a mile for petrol and tyres is one that allows of a considerable margin.

It is also fair to say that, with a small owner-driven car, the total running costs of 500 miles per month can be brought down to \$50 a month.

Even if we had to pay \$100 a month for the running costs it would be well worth it. The difference between having a motor-car and being without one in this Colony is something difficult to describe.

A motor-car is an insurance for good health. For a family man it means good health for the wife and the family.

"The first wealth is health," wrote a great American sixty years ago. In the tropics it is not easy to keep women and children in the pink of condition. It is worth cutting down the club chits in order to have a car in Hongkong.

THE GREATEST SPEED.
A REMARKABLE RECORD.

A correspondent has enquired what is the greatest speed yet recorded for a motor-car.

On March 16th Major H. O. D. Segrave achieved the remarkable record of 192.328 miles per hour on the Southport Sands.

That astonishing performance was timed and observed by the Royal Automobile Club's officials. The car engine was what is technically known as a "four litre" size and the car was, of course, especially designed for racing. Major Segrave is a most experienced driver and no doubt on the Southport Sands there is far less danger to the occupant of a racing car running at that terrific speed than there would be if the car had to negotiate the curves of a racing track.

It is a pity that there is nothing corresponding to the Southport Sands in this Colony. Many an owner-driver would like to "speed up" his car, although few would care to approach the 100 miles per hour rate even if the car were built for that sort of thing.

"SAFETY FIRST."
 It cannot be done on the high road, but it is delightful to drive a high grade car at a speed approaching fifty miles an hour. The motto of every driver, however, should be "safety first" and such a speed is not at all safe on any road in this Colony.

Even in the "open road" near to Fanning there is always the possibility of a pedestrian or some animal, a dog, a pig or a water buffalo, appearing at the most inopportune moment.

The unexpected too often happens suddenly on the roads of this Colony.

There is a two litre English sports model which has a maximum speed of 75 miles per hour. The tax is \$12 so that the car is about twelve horse-power, tax rating.

That particular car costs \$325 with all the latest fittings such as four wheel brakes and overhead valves. A delightful car for a spin along the Southport Sands; no doubt a car that quickly picks up speed anywhere, but not a car to be presented to a youthful driver in Hongkong. High speeds are not to be encouraged in this Colony.

LOCAL BUS SERVICES.
 The enterprise of the promoters of the motor bus service between Blake Pier and the University seems likely to meet with the reward it deserves. During the past week the vehicles have been well patronised. The journey takes only about ten minutes.

It may be said that there is no truth in the rumour that the service is on trial for one month. Passengers will be pleased to know that it will continue for at least three years. It is incredible that it should fail to attract, because it is such a good service.

There was an unfortunate coincidence on a trial trip which was made last week by a passenger who was anxious to let the public know about this new service. He saw one of the new well-known buses coming along Bonham Road. Immediately jumping to the conclusion that it was a vehicle in the regular service, he boarded it.

The driver seemed perturbed. Small wonder! It was a private bus and was not one on the regular run. The obliging driver did attempt to explain to the passenger that he (the passenger) had made a mistake. Reviewing the circumstances some days after the event, the passenger feels that he should express regret to the driver for making any complaint and to the Hotels Company for the comments which appeared in these columns last week, for it now transpires that he was really under an obligation to the driver for being permitted an irregular "lift."

The fact that the driver remained pleasantly polite is only in keeping with the traditions these men have established. It is a pleasure to be able to record from practical experience, since gained, that the drivers and the conductors of the buses on this new route are well mannered and anxious to oblige passengers. The service runs every quarter of an hour; each day it is becoming better known, and already residents are asking if there will be season tickets for this route.

INSURANCE COSTS.
 An advertisement in a London journal reads "Motor Insurance further reduced" and many local motorists would like to read the same sort of advertisement in this journal.

Let us quote what must be paid for—a fullest Lloyd's comprehensive policy, but assured bears first 50% of each accident. Deduct fifteen per cent, if owner only drives.

For a car that originally cost about £300 the annual rate is £7.10.0. For a car that originally cost about £200 the rate is £7.10.0.

So that the owner-driver in England who buys an inexpensive car at about £200, and who takes the risk of the damage up to fifty shillings, can insure for £7.10.0 per annum.

A BONUS FOR CAREFUL DRIVERS.

As is usual, a bonus of ten per cent. can be deducted for no claims made during the previous year.

In this Colony a ten per cent. reduction is made by some, if not all, of the insurance companies to members of the local automobile association. It is advisable to make the claim which may not be granted unless it is requested.

One of the English insurance companies advertises a further incentive to drivers. "If no claim is made in the first year they carry a rebate of ten to twenty per cent, which in succeeding years increases up to thirty-three and a third per cent."

THIRD PARTY RISKS.
 In this Colony the average value of human life is not so great as in England. Therefore it seems probable that the claims that are likely to be made in the case of accidents to pedestrians or even to hired drivers would be less than at home.

Perhaps the insurance companies have not taken that into account. The wise motorist insures against fire, accident—indeed against everything possible. Accidents will happen even to the most carefully driven cars. Insurance saves a great deal of anxiety and the possibility of anxious litigation.

A LADY DRIVER.

In this Colony there are a few lady drivers, but there should be many more. During the war any number of girls drove, constantly, quite heavy motor lorries. The army—usually conservative with regards to anything that affects women or machinery—employed lady chauffeurs for all classes of vehicles.

If any one doubts the ability of the fair sex in the matter of stamina he—for only men would have such a doubt—might be persuaded to amend his views on the subject after due consideration of the triumph of Miss Violette Cordery.

The facts of the case are simple, but the accomplishment of this lady driver is so remarkable that it is almost incredible.

A GREAT RECORD.

Miss Violette Cordery drove a motor-car for eleven and a half days at an average speed of 55.78 miles per hour.

In other words this intrepid woman completed 15,534 miles in two hundred and seventy-six hours.

She broke the Italian National Records at Milan. She must have had a nerve and stamina equal to that of Joan of Arc.

Any owner-driver in this Colony who completes 15,534 miles in two years has done quite a lot of motoring. Miss Violette Cordery completed that distance in less than a fortnight.

(Continued on next Column).



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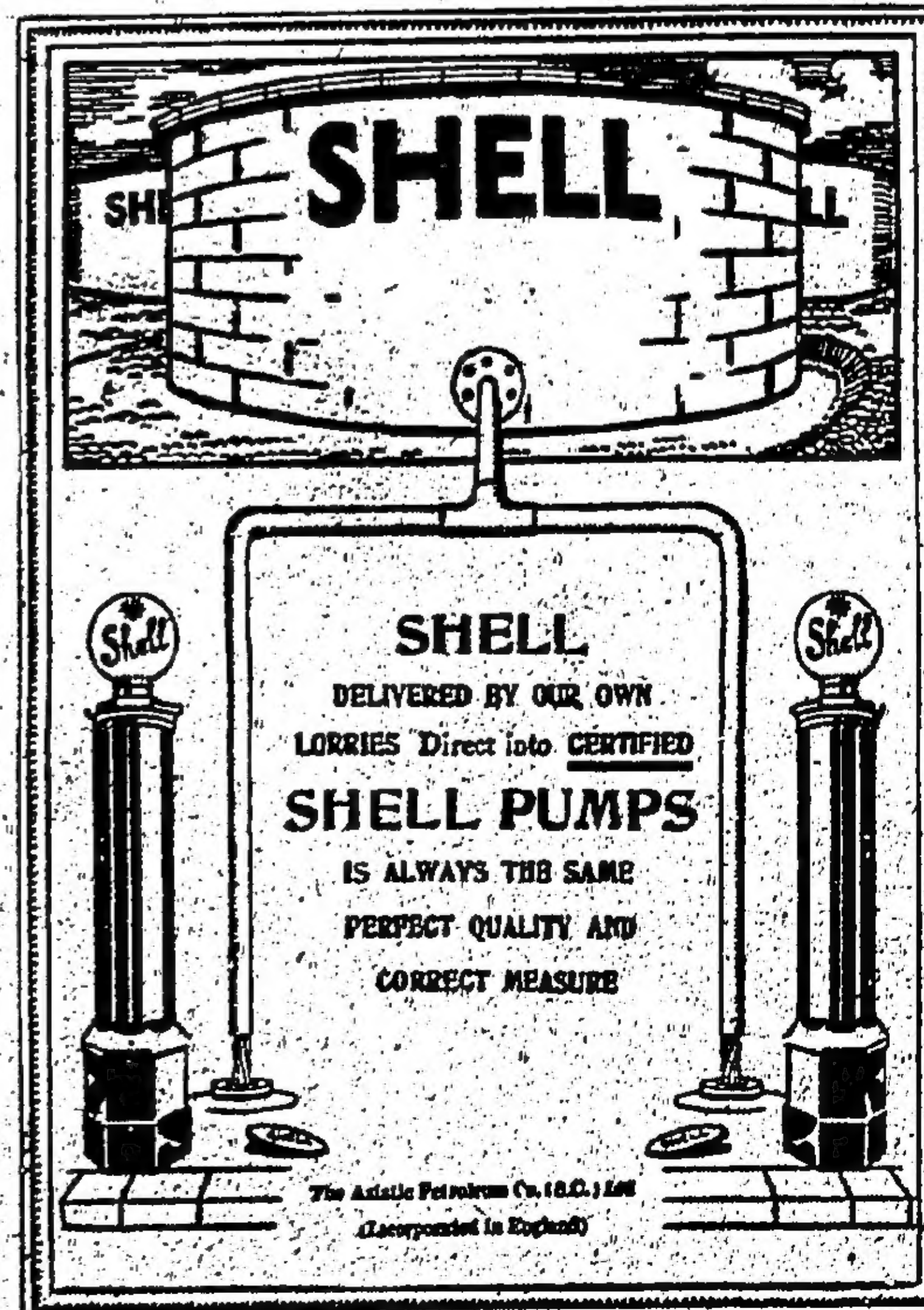
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This demonstration of what can be done by a lady driver should encourage the fair sex. They have always had a reputation for great courage in the hunting field. Mr. Stephen Walsh, M.P., recently said "The horse is rapidly passing into a stage fit only for a zoo." That may be an exaggeration, but it is probably time to say that it is easier for a lady to learn to drive a car than to ride a horse.



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SHANGHAI RACES.

MR. DALLAS WINS DERBY ON
POPPYLAND.
WARRENFIELD SCORES AGAIN.

[BY ARGUS.]

At the second day of the Shanghai
Spring Meeting, Mr. A. N. Dallas, on
Poppyland, won the Derby, with Fire-
stone and Kismet filling the places. The
last-named belongs to Mr. G. H. Stitt,
of the Hongkong and Shanghai Bank,
whose colours have often been carried to
victory at Happy Valley.The Shanghai Race Club Handicap
("B" class) fell to Sir Paul Chater's
Pretty Dahlia, ridden by Mr. Eric Moller.
As no weights have been called, it is im-
possible to estimate the merits of the
performances in the first two events.Warrenfield, with the staidier of 167lbs.,
carried off the Pari-Mutuel Cup from
Ultimus (156lbs.) and Saucy Sue (158lbs.).Warrenfield was recently purchased by
Sir Victor Sassoon, Bt., for Tls. 14,000,
with the contingency of a further Tls.
1,000 if the pony wins the Championship
of China at Kiangwan on June 12th.Booran, who won here a year ago, in the
colours of Mr. B. D. E. Beith, carried off
the Chu-Ka-Za Cup (8 furlongs) in the
comparatively fast time of 1.29.1-5.The pony is now owned by Messrs. Beith
and Lemarchand, who won a couple of
races here, at the annual meeting, with
Grey Steel.The first event fell to Larch Tree, owned
by Mr. F. B. Marshall, who visits here
annually to supervise the training of the
Dynasty string.Through an oversight in yesterday's
paper, weights were published in the
Taingiao Handicap. Of course, the
weights published referred to W.I.To-day the Champion Sweepstakes for
China ponies is down for decision.The feature of yesterday's racing is the
success of Mr. Norman Dallas, who rode
five winners in succession, in addition to
being placed twice second and twice third.It was stated last night that "five win-
ners off the reel" is a Shanghai record.
Mr. A. Commons, as far as memory
serves won 7 out of 10 races at the last
meeting at which he rode in Peking.In 1907 I saw Higgs ride seven consecu-
tive winners at Newbury, out of eight
races on the card.

Racing details follow:

1.—SHANGHAI RACE CLUB HANDICAP A.

1 1/2 Miles.

Winner, Tls. 700. Second, Tls. 300. Third,
Tls. 200. A handicap for China ponies
which have at any time been subscrip-
tion griffins of the S.R.C. or T.R.C.Mr. F. B. Marshall's Larch Tree (Mr. Heard) 1
Winsome and Hasty's The Whitechat (Mr. Dallas) 2
Mr. Liddell's Howcroft (Mr. Bremner) 3

Time: 2.38.

2.—SHANGHAI RACE CLUB HANDICAP B.

1 1/2 Miles.

Winner, Tls. 700. Second, Tls. 300. Third,
Tls. 200. Conditions similar to pre-
vious race.Sir Paul's Pretty Dahlia (Mr. Moller) 1
Miss Billy Coutts' Kesora (Mr. Maitland) 2
Powhattan's Newman Nogg (Mr. Bauld) 3

Time: 2.40.4-5.

3.—THE PARI-MUTUEL CUP. 7 Furlongs.

Winner, Tls. 500. Second, Tls. 250. Third,
Tls. 125. For cross-breds. Winners
of three or more flat races during
1925, 15lbs. extra; of two flat races
10lbs. extra; of one flat race 5lbs. extra.
Unplaced starters in a flat race during
1925 allowed 5lbs. Ponies that have
never started in a flat race prior to
January 1st, 1926, allowed 5lbs.Mr. Eve's Warrenfield, 167lbs. (Mr. Heard) 1
Mr. R. S.'s Ultimus, 166lbs. (Mr. Mc Bain) 2
Mr. Toeg's Saucy Sue, 153lbs. (Mr. Sokoloff) 3

Time: 1.43.1-5.

4.—THE CHU-KA-ZA CUP. 6 Furlongs.

Winner, Tls. 500. Second, Tls. 250. Third,
Tls. 125. For China ponies. Winners
at this meeting 5lbs. extra. Unplaced
starters at this meeting, provided they
have not won a flat race during 1925,
allowed 5lbs. (Jockey allowance).Beith and Lemarchand's Booran, 149lbs. (Mr. Maitland) 1
Mr. Day's Greenland, 158lbs. (Mr. Dallas) 2
Bendin and Speelman's Zouave, 153lbs. (Mr. Heard) 3

Time: 1.29.1-3.

5.—THE SHANGHAI DERBY. 1 1/2 Miles.

Winner, Tls. 2,500. Second, Tls. 1,000.
Third, Tls. 500. For China ponies,
griffins of this meeting.Mr. Day's Poppyland, 158lbs. (Mr. Dallas) 1
Mr. F. Elias' Firestone, 162lbs. (Mr. Maitland) 2
Mr. G. H. Stitt's Kismet, 158lbs. (Mr. Heard) 3

Time: 3.10.2-5.

6.—THE SIOWAWEE CUP. 1 1/2 Miles.

Winner, Tls. 500. Second, Tls. 250. Third,
Tls. 125. For China ponies. Winners
at this meeting 5lbs. extra.Mr. Day's Borderland, 158lbs. (Mr. Dallas) 1
Mr. Campox's Old Bill, 152lbs. (Mr. Bremner) 2
Mr. Bert's Phantom, 153lbs. (Mr. Heizerling) 3

Time: 2.32.2-5.

7.—THE GRAND STAND STAKES. 1 1/2 Miles.

Winner, Tls. 500. Second, Tls. 250. Third,
Tls. 125. For China ponies, griffins
of this meeting. Winners at this
meeting 5lbs. extra. Unplaced start-
ers at this meeting allowed 5lbs.Mr. Day's Zululand, 158lbs. (Mr. Dallas) 1
Winsome and Hasty's The Flamingo (Mr. Mc Bain) 2
Mr. Liddell's Ashcroft, 158lbs. (Mr. Bremner) 3

Time: 2.43.4-5.

8.—CHINESE CUP AND SHINGHAI STAKES. 1 1/2 Miles.

Winner, a Cup and Tls. 1,000. Second,
Tls. 500. Third, Tls. 250. For China
ponies, weight for inches.Mr. Day's New Zealand, 158lbs. (Mr. Dallas) 1
Mr. Liddell's Wheatcroft, 158lbs. (Mr. Bremner) 2
We Two's Young Bill, 153lbs. (Mr. Maitland) 3

Time: 3.09.4-5.

9.—THE SCURRY STAKES. 7 Furlongs.

Winner, Tls. 500. Second, Tls. 250. Third,
Tls. 125. For China ponies, griffins
of this meeting. Winners 5lbs. extra.
Unplaced starters allowed 5lbs.Mr. Day's Maoriland, 153lbs. (Mr. Dallas) 1
Mr. Toeg's Grande de Santaro, 153lbs. (Mr. Sokoloff) 2
Winsome and Hasty's The Kestrel, 153lbs. (Mr. Mc Bain) 3

Time: 1.42.2-5.

10.—THE TIENTSIN PLATE. 1 Mile.

Winner, Tls. 500. Second, Tls. 250. Third,
Tls. 125. For China ponies. Winners
at this meeting 7lbs. extra. Unplaced
starters, provided they have not won
flat race during 1925, allowed 5lbs.
(Jockey allowance).Mr. Campox's Old Bill, 152lbs. (Mr. Bremner) 1
Winsome and Hasty's The Emu, 158lbs. (Mr. Mc Bain) 2
Mr. Day's Shenkoland, 158lbs. (Mr. Dallas) 3

Time: 2.03.2-5.

11.—THE Peking Cup. 6 Furlongs.

Winner, Tls. 700. Second, Tls. 300. Third,
Tls. 200. For China ponies which
have at any time been subscription
griffins of the S.R.C. or T.R.C. Win-
ners at this meeting and winners of
any classic race barred. All other
winners:—Of two or more flat races,
10lbs. extra; of one flat race, 5lbs.
extra. Ponies which have started in
and never been placed in a flat race
allowed 5lbs. Unplaced starters at
this meeting allowed 5lbs. (Jockey
allowance).Mr. E. A. Silagi's Hystrung, 160lbs. (Mr. Maitland) 1
Mr. and Mrs. Hickling's Mark Over, 160lbs. (Mr. Tricker) 2
Bailey and Heard's Mad Hatter, 162lbs. (Mr. Heard) 3

Time: 1.30.2-5.

12.—THE HANKOW HANDICAP. 1 1/2 Miles.

Winner, Tls. 500. Second, Tls. 250. Third,
Tls. 125. A handicap for cross-breds.
(Jockey allowance).Mr. J. J. Paterson's Dago (Mr. Maitland) 1
Mr. Allan's Orange William (Mr. Burkill) 2
Mr. Day's Bonnie Scotland (Mr. Dallas) 3

Time: 3.10.

No weights called.

13.—THE HANKOW CUP. 1 1/2 Miles.

Winner, Tls. 500. Second, Tls. 250. Third,
Tls. 125. For S.R.C. Spring 1926
griffins allotted after January 15th,
1926. Winners at this meeting and/or
of two or more flat races barred; of
one flat race 7lbs. extra. Unplaced
starters allowed 5lbs. (Jockey allow-
ance).Mr. R. S.'s Winterton, 153lbs. (Captain Sassoon) 1
Mr. Parcell's Loch Lomond, 153lbs. (Mr. Bremner) 2
Mc Bain Bros' Magog, 147lbs. (Mr. E. Mc Bain) 3

Time: 2.42.2-5.

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9th	5.47	6.53
10th	5.46	6.54
11th	5.46	6.54
12th	5.45	6.54
13th	5.44	6.55
14th	5.44	6.55
15th	5.43	6.55
16th	5.43	6.56
17th	5.42	6.56
18th	5.42	6.57
19th	5.42	6.57
20th	5.41	6.59
21st	5.41	6.59
22nd	5.41	7.00
23rd	5.40	7.00
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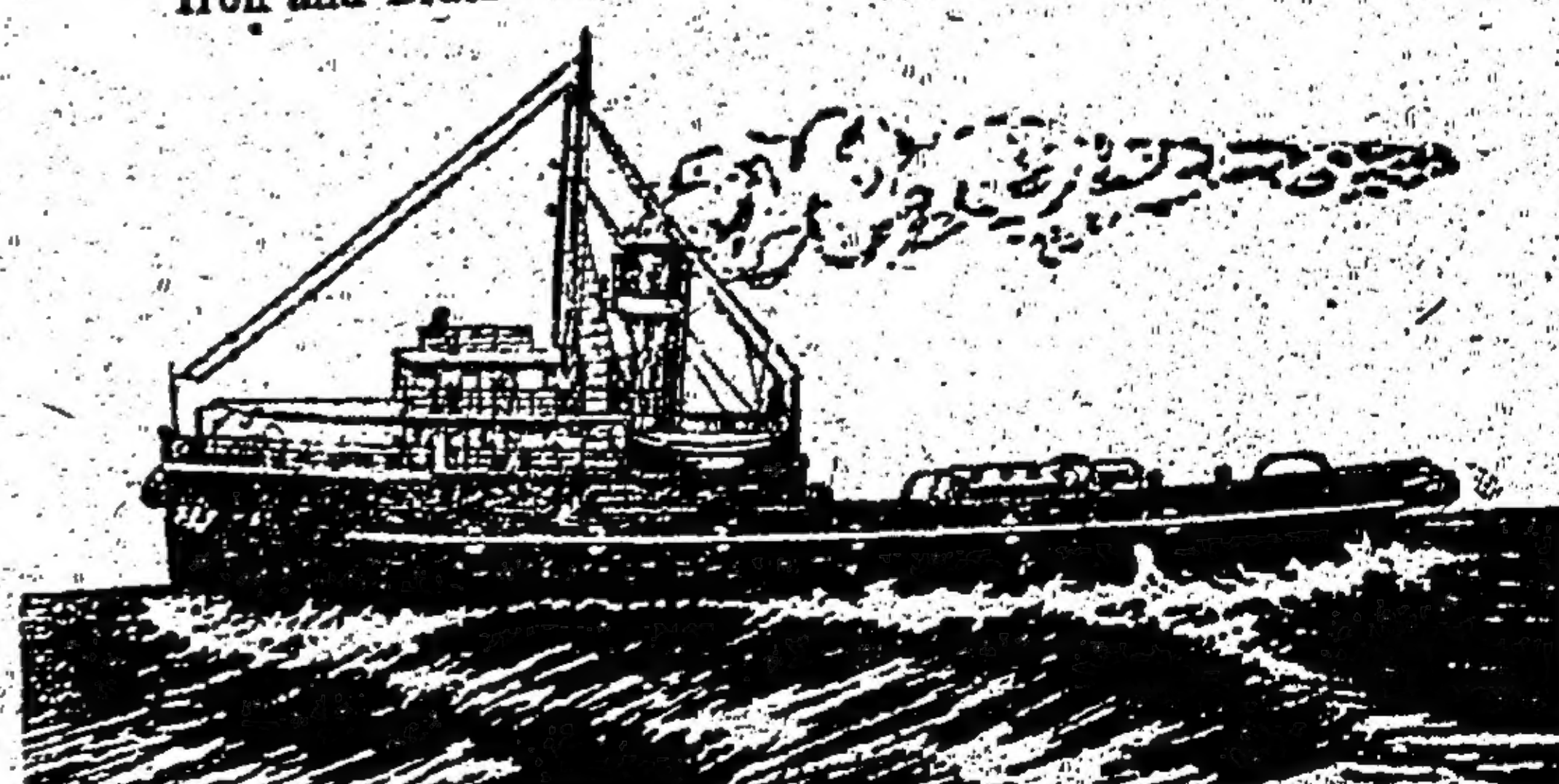
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Shanghai, Amoy & Foochow	Levan	10.00 A.M.
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Straits, Ceylon, India, Mauritius, E. & S. Africa	Tonkin	12.30 P.M.
Manila	Borneo Maru	12.30 P.M.
	Levan	3.30 P.M.
Haiphong and Haiphong	Tuning	Thursday, 6th, 8.30 A.M.
Bangkok	Kuanying	10.30 A.M.
Straits & Calcutta	Yucawing	Noon
	Parcels	1.00 P.M.
Java via Batavia	Tjukembung	10.30 A.M.
Shanghai	Seehuen	2.30 P.M.
Manila	Emp. of Canada	3.30 P.M.
Bangkok	Teau	Saturday, 8th, 8.30 A.M.
Straits, Ceylon, India, Mauritius, E. & S. Africa, Egypt & EUROPE via Marseilles—due Marseilles, 6th June	Kilano Maru	Reg. Letters 8.45 A.M.
Swatow, Amoy & Foochow	Hai Hong	Noon
Shanghai	Swatow	2.30 P.M.
Swatow, Amoy and Formosa	Hosun Maru	Sunday, 9th, 9.00 A.M.
Straits, Ceylon, India, Mauritius, E. & S. Africa, Egypt & EUROPE via Marseilles—due Marseilles, 12th June	Angers	Tuesday, 11th, Reg. Letters 1.45 P.M.
		2.30 P.M.
Shanghai	Taishing	Wednesday, 12th, 10.30 A.M.
Amoy & Foochow	Hui Uhm	Noon
Japan	Kuanying	5.00 P.M.
Haiphong and Haiphong	Mingsang	Thursday, 13th, 8.30 A.M.
Straits & Calcutta	Laisang	Parcels Noon
	Letters	1.10 P.M.
Shanghai, Japan, Canada, U.S.A., C. & S. America & EUROPE via VANCOUVER, B.C.—due Vancouver, B.C., 31st May	Emp. of Canada	Friday, 14th, Parcels 9.00 A.M.
Straits, Ceylon, India, Mauritius, E. & S. Africa, Egypt & EUROPE via Marseilles—due Marseilles, 12th June	Kashgar	Reg. Letters 9.15 A.M.
		10.30 A.M.
Sandakan	Mauwang	Tuesday, 18th, 10.30 A.M.

* Correspondence bearing vessel's name only.

THE BLUE FUNNEL LINE

REGULAR AND FAST FREIGHT AND PASSENGER SERVICES

LONDON SERVICE

"PATROCLUS" 5th May Mar. Ldon, B'dam & Glasgow.
"MERIONES" 18th May Mar. Ldon, B'dam & Hamburg.
"ANTENOR" 2nd June Mar. Ldon, B'dam & Glasgow.
"EUMAEUS" 15th June Mar. Ldon, B'dam & Hamburg.

LIVERPOOL SERVICE

"MENELAUS" 5th May Genoa, Havre, Liverp. & Glas.
"EURYLOCHUS" 13th May Genoa, Havre, Liverp. & Glas.
"TROILUS" 1st June Genoa, Havre, Liverp. & Glas.
"KEEMUN" 12th June Genoa, Havre, Liverp. & Glas.

PACIFIC SERVICE

(via KOBE & YOKOHAMA)
"TYNDAROS" 18th May Victoria, Vancouver & Seattle.
"PROTESILAUS" 11th June Victoria, Vancouver & Seattle.

NEW YORK SERVICE

"DIOMEDES" 7th May Boston, New York & Baltimore.
"ATREUS" 21st May Boston, New York & Baltimore.

PASSENGER SERVICE

"PATROCLUS" 5th May Singapore, Marseilles & London.
"ANTENOR" 2nd June Singapore, Marseilles & London.
"HECTOR" 14th July Singapore, Marseilles & London.
"BARPEDES" 8th Sept. Singapore, Marseilles & London.
"PATROCLUS" 20th Oct. Singapore, Marseilles & London.

Also cargo steamers with limited passenger accommodation at specially reduced rates.
For freight and passage rates and information apply to—

Butterfield & Swire.
Agents.

HONGKONG AND SHANGHAI BANKING CORPORATION.

Head Office: Hongkong.

Authorized Capital\$50,000,000
Issued and Fully Paid-up\$50,000,000
Reserve Funds:—
Sterling\$4,500,000
Silver\$97,000,000
Reserve Liability of Proprietors\$20,000,000

Court of Directors:

Hon. Mr. D. G. M. BARNARD, Chairman.
Hon. Mr. A. O. LANG, Deputy Chairman.
W. H. Bell, Esq., J. A. Plummer, Esq.,
A. H. Compton, Esq., T. G. West, Esq.,
P. H. Hoysak, Esq., H. P. White, Esq.,
W. L. Patterson, Esq., G. H. K. K. K. K.

Chief Manager: A. H. BARLOW, Esq.
Manager: Shanghai—G. H. STITT, Esq.

LONDON BANKERS: WESTMINSTER BANK, LTD.

CURRENT ACCOUNTS open in Local CURRENCY and FIXED DEPOSITS received for one year or shorter periods in Local CURRENCY and Sterling on terms which will be quoted on application.
Hongkong, April 6th, 1926. [25]

HONGKONG SAVINGS BANK.

THE Business of the above Bank is conducted by the HONGKONG & SHANGHAI BANKING CORPORATION. Rules may be obtained on application.

INTEREST on Deposits is calculated on the lowest balance during each completed Calendar Month at 3 per cent. per annum. Should there be no balance on any day in a month no interest will be allowed for that month.

Depositors may transfer at their option Balance of \$100 or more to the HONGKONG & SHANGHAI BANK to be placed on FIXED DEPOSITS at CURRENT RATES. For the HONGKONG & SHANGHAI BANKING CORPORATION.
A. H. BARLOW, Chief Manager.
Hongkong, 7th January, 1925. [2]

CHARTERED BANK OF INDIA, AUSTRALIA AND CHINA.

INCORPORATED BY ROYAL CHARTER, 1853.

HEAD OFFICE: LONDON.

Paid-up Capital£3,000,000
Reserve Fund£4,000,000
Reserve Liability of Proprietors£3,000,000

FOREIGN EXCHANGE and General Banking Business transacted.

CURRENT ACCOUNTS opened and Fixed Deposits received for one year or shorter periods at rates which will be quoted on application.

A. H. FERGUSON, Manager.
Hongkong, April 15th, 1925. [30]

BANQUE DE L'INDO-CHINE.

Head Office: 96, Boulevard Haussmann, Paris.

Subscribed Capital.....Fr.72,000,000.00
Paid-up Capital.....Fr.68,400,000.00
Reserve Fund.....Fr.59,987,293.64

BRANCHES: Bangkok, Haiphong, Pondicherry, Canton, Hongkong, Shanghai, Saigon, Nankai, Singapore, Port-Bayard, Papeete, Tientsin, Haiphong, Peking, Yunnan.

BANKERS: In FRANCE: Comptoir National d'Escompte de Paris; Credit Lyonnais; Banque de Paris et des Pays-Bas; Credit Industriel et Commercial; Societe Generale.

In LONDON: The National Provincial and Union Bank of England; Ltd.; Comptoir National d'Escompte de Paris; Credit Lyonnais.

In NEW YORK: J. P. Morgan & Co.; French-American Banking Corporation; Guaranty Trust Co., of New York.

Interest allowed on Current Accounts and Fixed Deposits according to arrangement.

Every description of Banking and Exchange Business transacted.

A. LECOT, Manager.
Hongkong, 20th March, 1924. [32]

THE BANK OF EAST ASIA, LIMITED.

HEAD OFFICE: HONGKONG, 10, Des Voeux Road Central.

Authorized Capital\$10,000,000
Paid-up Capital5,000,000
Reserve Fund (1925)1,200,000

DIRECTORS: Hon. Sir Shou-son Chow, Chairman.
Fung Ping Shan, Mok Ching Kong, Li Koon Chun, Wong Yui Tong, K. K. Kwok, Huynh Tai, Ng Ching Luk, Chan Yung Shek, Pong Wai Lung, Chan Ching Shek.

Every description of Banking and Exchange business transacted. Loans granted on approved securities.

Safe Deposit Boxes To Let. Kan Tong Po, Chief Manager.
Hongkong, 8th February, 1923.

COMMERCIAL.

OPENING QUOTATIONS.

May 4th, 1926.

On LONDON:—
Telegraphic Transfer2 1/2
Bank Bills, on demand2 1/2 1/16
Bank Bills, at 30 days sight2 1/2
Bank Bills, at 4 months sight2 1/2
Credits, at 4 months sight 2 1/2 9/16
Documentary Bills2 1/2 1/16
months' sight2 1/2 1/16
On PARIS:—
Bank Bills, on demand1 1/2
Credits, at 4 months sight1 1/2
On NEW YORK:—
Bank Bills, on demand5/4
Credits, at 60 days sight5/4
On BOMBAY:—
Telegraphic Transfer1 1/2
Bank Bills, on demand1 1/2
On CALCUTTA:—
Telegraphic Transfer4 1/2
Bank Bills, on demand4 1/2
On SHANGHAI:—
Bank Bills, at sightnom.
Private, 30 days sightnom.
On YOKOHAMA:—On demand11 1/2
On MANILA:—On demand10 1/2
On SINGAPORE:—On demand10 1/2
On BATAVIA:—On demand13 1/2
On SAIGON:—On demandnom.
On HONGKONG:—On demand9 1/4
Sovereigns, Bank's Buying rate88 1/2
Gold Leaf, 100 fine, per tola29 15/16
SILVER, per oz.29 15/16

THE MERCANTILE BANK OF INDIA, LIMITED.

HEAD OFFICE: 15, Gracechurch Street, London, E.C. 3.

Authorized Capital£3,000,000
Subscribed Capital£1,800,000
Paid-up Capital£1,050,000
Reserve Fund£1,350,000

BANKERS: THE BANK OF ENGLAND

MIDLAND BANK, LTD.

BRANCHES: Bangkok, Bombay, Calcutta, Ceylon, Hongkong, India, Japan, London, Madras, Manila, Mauritius, New York, Penang, Port Louis, Rangoon, Shanghai, Singapore, Siam, Soerabaya, Swatow, Tientsin, Yokohama.

Every description of Banking and Exchange Business transacted.

Interest allowed on Current Accounts to 5 per cent. per annum on Daily Balance and on Fixed Deposits at Rates that may be ascertained on application.

C. L. C. SANDER, Manager.
7, Queen's Road Central, Hongkong, March 26th, 1926. [29]

BANQUE FRANCO-CHINOISE, POUR LE COMMERCE ET L'INDUSTRIE.

(Incorporated in France).

6, Chater Road, Victoria, Hongkong.

HEAD OFFICE: 74, Rue St. Lazare, Paris.

CapitalFr. 20,000,000
ReservesFr. 11,150,000
Special Working CapitalFr. 50,000,000

BRANCHES: Paris, Lyons, Marseille, Saigon, Haiphong, Hankow, Shanghai, Tientsin, Canton, Hongkong.

France: Societe Generale, Banque Nationale de Credit, Banque de Paris et des Pays Bas.

London: Midland Bank, Ltd.

New York: Irving Bank, Columbia Trust Co.

Every description of Banking and Exchange Business transacted.

Correspondents: throughout the World.

A. ROLLIN, Manager.
Hongkong, 2nd December, 1925.

THE BANK OF TAIWAN, LTD.

(TAIWAN GINCO.)

Incorporated by Special Imperial Charter, 1899.

Capital SubscribedYen 45,000,000
Capital (Paid-up)Yen 39,375,000

HEAD OFFICE: TAIPEI, FORMOSA.

BRANCHES: Japan—Tokyo, Yokohama, Kobe, Osaka.

FORMOSA:—Gilan, Kagi, Karsenke, Keelung, Makung, Nantow, Shichiku, Tainan, Takao, Tamsui, Toyen, Aka, Pinal.

CHINA:—Shanghai, Hankow, Amoy, Foochow, Swatow, Canton.

OTHERS:—Hongkong, Singapore, Soerabaya, Semarang, Batavia, Bombay, London, New York, Calcutta.

LONDON BANKERS: LONDON COUNTY WESTMINSTER AND PARIS BANK.

The Bank has Correspondents in the Commercial Centres on the European Continent, Russia, Manchuria, Tientsin, Japan, Indo-China, Siam, India, Philippines, Iloilo, Java, Africa, &c.

Interest allowed on Current Accounts, and Fixed Deposits at Rates which will be quoted on application.

T. TAKAGI, Manager.
HONGKONG BRANCH, 3, Des Voeux Road, Central, Hongkong, 1st December, 1925. [27]

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THE BANK OF CHINA.

(Specially authorised by Presidential Mandate of the Republic of China on the 22nd of November, 1917.)

AUTHORIZED CAPITAL.....\$60,000,000.00
PAID-UP CAPITAL.....18,750,000.00
RESERVE FUND.....8,894,393.68

HEAD OFFICE: PEKING.

Hongkong Branch: 4, QUEEN'S ROAD CENTRAL.

Branches and Sub-branches all over China, and Correspondents in Europe, America, and other parts of the world.

London Bankers:—THE GUARANTY TRUST CO. OF NEW YORK, THE NATIONAL PROVINCIAL BANK, LTD.

New York Bankers:—THE EQUITABLE EASTERN BANKING CORPORATION, THE IRVING BANK, COLUMBIA TRUST CO.

Interest allowed on Current Accounts and Fixed Deposits. Terms on application.

Every description of Banking Business transacted.

Loans granted on Approved Securities.

Special facilities for domestic exchange.

TSUYEE PEI, Manager.
Hongkong, January 16th, 1923. [38]

NEDERLANDSCHE HANDEL MAATSCHAPPIJ.

(NETHERLANDS TRADING SOCIETY).

Established 1824.

Hongkong Branch established 1900.

Authorized Capital.....Gulden 150,000,000
(£12,500,000)

Paid-up Capital80,000,000
(£6,400,000)

Reserve Fund20,638,661
(£1,711,408)

Special Reserves22,660,000
(£1,899,330)

HEAD OFFICE: AMSTERDAM.

Eastern Head Office: BATAVIA.

BRANCHES:—Bandjermasin, Batavia, Bencoolen, Bontoe, Cheribon, Djember, Djokjakarta, The Hague, Kobe, Kots-Badje, Makassar, Medan, Padang, Palembang, Pecalongan, Penang, Pontianak, Rangoon, Rotterdam, Samarang, Shanghai, Singapore, Soerabaya, Soerakarta (Solo), Tegal, Tjilatjap and Weltevreden.

LONDON BANKERS: NATIONAL PROVINCIAL BANK, LTD.

Correspondents all over the World.

BANKING BUSINESS OF EVERY DESCRIPTION.

J. C. MAASSEN, Acting Manager.

THE YOKOHAMA SPECIE BANK, LIMITED.

Capital fully paid-upYen 100,000,000
Reserve FundYen 86,500,000

HEAD OFFICE: YOKOHAMA.

BRANCHES AND AGENCIES AT: Batavia, Bencoolen, Bontoe, Cheribon, Kobe, London, Lyons, Manila, Nagasaki, Nankai, Nippon, Osaka, Penang, Port Louis, Rangoon, Shanghai, Singapore, Siam, Soerabaya, Swatow, Tientsin, Yokohama.

Interest allowed on Current Accounts.

Deposits received for Fixed Periods at rates to be obtained on application.

C. ARIMA, Manager.
Hongkong, 11th March, 1926. [35]

THE BANK OF CANTON, LTD.

HEAD OFFICE: HONGKONG. Established 1912.

AUTHORIZED CAPITAL.....£1,200,000
PAID-UP CAPITAL.....£1,000,000
RESERVE FUND.....£200,000

BRANCHES: CANTON, SHANGHAI, HANKOW, SWATOW, BANGKOK, NEW YORK AND SAN FRANCISCO.

Correspondents in all Principal Cities of the World.

London Bankers:—THE LLOYDS BANK, LIMITED.

Every description of banking business transacted.

Safe Deposit Boxes in various sizes to be let from \$5.00 to \$40.00 yearly.

LOOK POON-SHAN, Chief Manager.

EQUITABLE EASTERN BANKING CORPORATION.

AN AMERICAN BANK.

CAPITAL AND SURPLUS: U.S. \$3,000,000.00

HEAD OFFICE: 37, WALL STREET, NEW YORK.

BRANCHES: SHANGHAI.

General Banking and Exchange Business.

Interest Allowed on all Deposits.

Rates on Application.

LONDON AND PARIS AGENTS: EQUITABLE TRUST CO., OF N.Y.

28] D. M. BIGGAR, Manager.

RUSSO-ASIATIC BANK.

Capital (FULLY PAID)55,000,000
RESERVE FUND26,960,000
Kup. Tls.

CAPITAL CONTRIBUTED BY THE CHINESE GOVT.3,500,000
RESERVE FUND1,750,000

HEAD OFFICE: Paris: 8, Rue Boudreau.

64, Old Broad Street, E.C. 2.

BANKERS: LONDON: Messrs. Glyn, Mills, Currie & Co.; Societe Generale pour Favoriser le Developpement du Commerce et de l'Industrie en France.

PARIS: Societe Generale pour Favoriser le Developpement du Commerce et de l'Industrie en France; Banque de Paris et des Pays-Bas.

LYONS: Societe Generale pour Favoriser le Developpement du Commerce et de l'Industrie en France.

NEW YORK: The Irving Bank; Columbia Trust Company.

SAN FRANCISCO: The Crocker National Bank of San Francisco.

BRANCHES IN ASIA: Changshan, Harbin, Peking, Chifu, Hongkong, Shanghai, Dairen, Kalgan, Tientsin, Hankow, Newchwang, Yokohama.

HONGKONG BRANCH: Interest allowed on Current Accounts and Fixed Deposits. Terms on application. Local Bills discounted.

Foreign Exchange on the Principal Cities of the World bought and sold.

L. BAINES, Manager.

P. & O. BANKING CORPORATION, LIMITED.

(INCORPORATED IN ENGLAND, 1920).

AUTHORISED CAPITAL£5,000,000
SUBSCRIBED AND PAID UP£2,594,160
RESERVE FUND£180,000

HEAD OFFICE: 122, Leadenhall Street, London, E.C. 3.

WEST LONDON BRANCH: 14-18, Cockspur Street, London, S.W. 1.

EASTERN BRANCHES: Bombay, Calcutta, Karachi, Madras, Colombo, Singapore, Hongkong, Canton and Shanghai.